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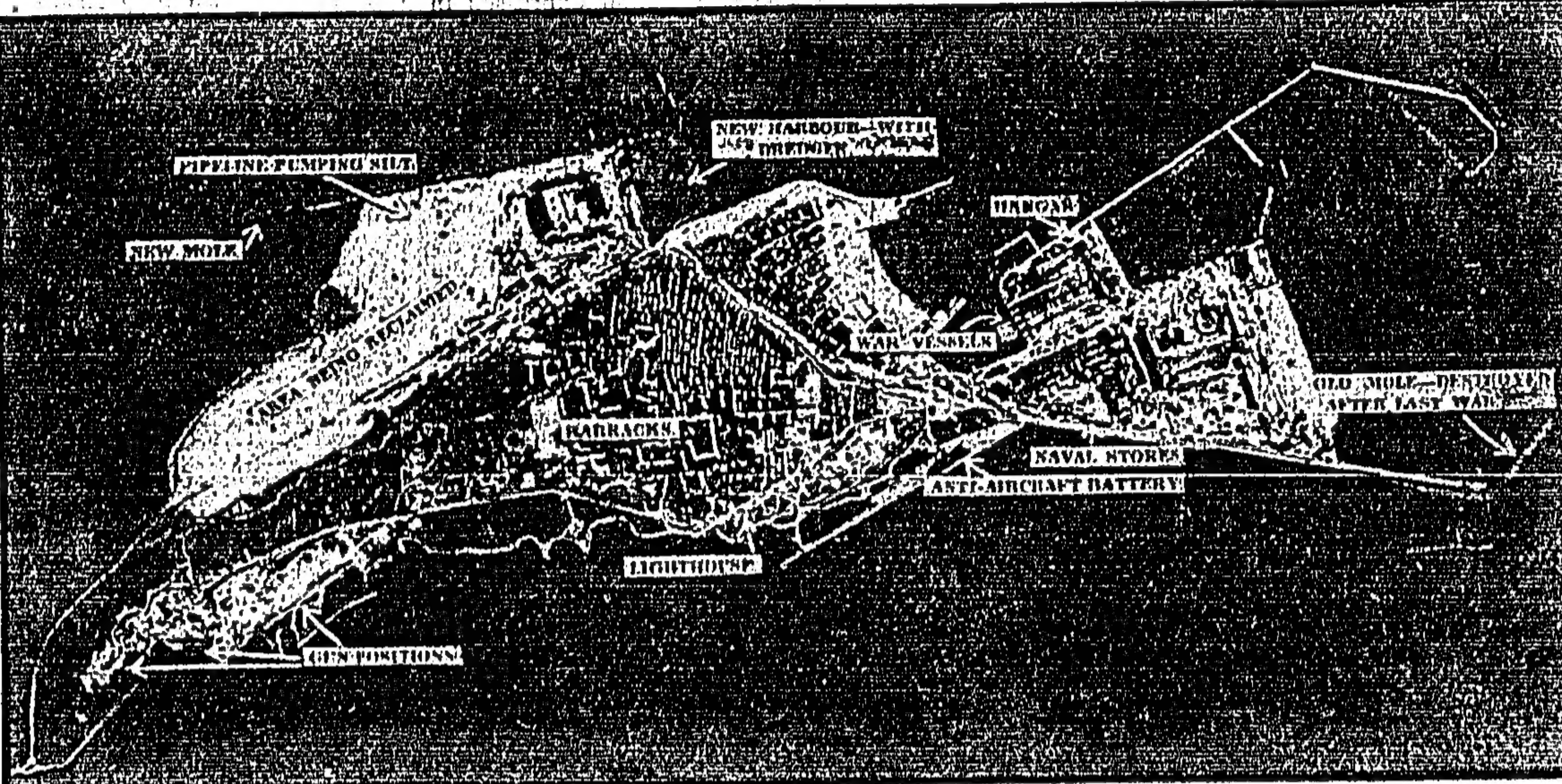
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## HELIGOLAND

This is how our fliers on their regular visits to "Windy Corner" see the island that, on-and off for years, has made front page news. This picture was taken on a recent R.A.F. reconnaissance flight, and shows how clearly any new war work is revealed by the air cameras to R.A.F. Intelligence. You have read about this Island of Secrets. Wondered what it was like. Now you see it.



## INTENSE ACTIVITY BY TOTALITARIANS

### NAZIS PREPARING FOR DIPLOMATIC "BLITZKRIEG"?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BERLIN, MARCH 14 (UP).—NAZI SOURCES REPORT THAT THERE ARE IMPROVED PROSPECTS OF A SOVIET-ITALIAN RAPPROCHMENT.  
A TRADE PACT AND THE RESUMPTION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WHICH WERE BROKEN OFF AT THE OUTSET OF THE RUSSO-FINNISH WAR ARE EXPECTED.  
Meanwhile, Berlin's trade negotiations with Bucharest, Moscow and Rome improve the position against the British blockade.  
It is understood that von Ribbentrop discussed the entire subject during his recent trip to Rome. He hurried from the railway station to report directly to Hitler on his return.

## Spratley Islands To Stay Japanese

Japan's Warning  
Against Blockade  
Of Vladivostok

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
TOKYO, Mar. 14 (Domel).—"No question can arise regarding the title to Spratley Islands, which the Japanese Government on March 30 of last year declared incorporated into Japanese territory and placed under the administration of the Government-General of Formosa," the Navy Office spokesman said.



THIS MAP illustrates the strategic importance of the Spratley Islands, which lie midway between Hong Kong, Singapore, Manila and French Indo-China. France claims jurisdiction over the islands.

to-day, when asked whether the question of Spratley Islands would be taken up in the projected Franco-Japanese talks.  
The Yunnan Railway service is PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

## WAR AFTERMATH

### FINLAND RECEIVES WORLD SYMPATHY

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—As was to be expected the Finnish-Russian peace treaty has aroused world-wide comment.  
There is universal sympathy here for the Finns and praise for their gallant fight against heavy odds.

### FINLAND'S ECONOMIC LOSSES

Concedes Important  
Export Avenues

HELSINGFORS, March 14, (Reuter).—Attempts are now being made to assess the economic aspects of Finland's new frontier.  
One fifth of her exports went through Viborg and a further ten per cent. through Hangoe.  
The territory lost in Karelia includes many woodpulp factories and saw mills.

### Re-Settlement Problem

There is also the problem of resettling Finns who do not want to stay in the territories ceded to Russia. Their number is estimated at about 400,000.  
All available cars and lorries have been requisitioned to help in this work to resettle the people. The Finnish Aid Committee has called for hundreds of volunteers and relief workers.

### Relief Schemes

The use of the money will be discussed within a week between the Swedish authorities and M. Cajander, the former Finnish Premier.  
In a proclamation, the Finnish Government has announced its intention of launching relief schemes to help the refugees. This work, says the proclamation, will demand the utmost effort and sacrifice, but through the sacrifice of Finland's youth Finland has been able to keep what she values most—her freedom.

### WANT TO MAKE MUNITIONS

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Arrangements are being made for Britain to bring small arms into the National War effort.  
No less than 110 Chambers of Commerce are compiling a list of small firms which will be considered for munitions factories.

### SAIGON MARU MAIL RETURNED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
OSAKA, Mar. 14 (Domel).—The French naval authorities in Indo-China have returned all mails with the exception of a few parcels containing contraband goods destined for Germany to the Japanese steamer Saigon Maru, according to a report received by the O.S.K. Headquarters from the captain of the ship.  
The French authorities seized the mail aboard the O.S.K. liner in Saigon on March 12.

### ESPIONAGE CHARGE AGAINST OFFICIAL

THE HAGUE, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—M. Van Hoeven, a high official of the Ministry of Social Affairs, was placed on trial here to-day on a charge of supplying shipping secrets to Germany. The case is being heard in camera.  
His wife and another official, M. Buve of the Ministry of Economics, are accused of complicity.  
It is alleged that Buve procured the documents which form a basis for the case.  
The Minister of Justice has forbidden any publication of the proceedings in Holland.  
It is known, however, that the Public Prosecutor demanded a sentence of two years imprisonment for Buve and one year for Mrs. Van Hoeven.

### Three Nordic States To Discuss New Treaty

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
OSLO, Mar. 14 (UP).—The Foreign Office spokesman confirmed that Norway has agreed to alliance with Sweden and Finland.

M. Tanner, the Finnish Foreign Minister, has asked M. Koht, the Norwegian Foreign Minister, to negotiate. M. Koht immediately replied in the affirmative.  
No definite place has yet been fixed but the negotiations will be held in the near future.

### Denmark To Stay Out

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—It is expected that Norway, Sweden and Finland will confer on a defensive alliance as soon as Finland withdraws her troops to the new frontiers and signs the final peace documents.  
The alliance will be a defensive one only, so as not to break Finland's pledge not to engage in any bloc against Russia.  
Denmark is not expected to have any part in the alliance.

### No Parleys Yet

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—There is no confirmation here of the reports that negotiations between Sweden, Norway and Finland for joint guarantee of their frontiers have actually begun. It was stated so far as they are aware the Norwegian Government had promised to give the matter consideration.

### No Red Objections

MOSCOW, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—It is believed here that the Soviet Government has no objection to the conclusion of a purely defensive alliance between Sweden, Norway and Finland but any combination specifically directed against the Soviet would be regarded as inconsistent with the Soviet-Finnish peace treaty.

### So Near, Yet So Far

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Reuter's Lobby Correspondent learns

### GOVERNMENT CRITICISED

Secret Session Of French  
Parliament

PARIS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The Senate to-day unanimously agreed to go into secret session after the arrival of M. Daladier and ten other Cabinet Ministers.  
M. Daladier declared that the Government accepted an immediate discussion on Finland but desired to defer discussion on the conduct of the war until next week.

### Moscow Pledges Non-Intervention In Rumania

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
NEW YORK, Mar. 14 (Domel).—The Associated Press reports from Berlin that the Soviet Government has given a definite pledge to Germany that Russia will not intervene in Rumania in any possible developments in South-Eastern Europe in future.

### German Promise

BUCHAREST, Mar. 14 (UP).—The demobilization of farmers serving in the army is being considered here as a result of Germany's promise to guarantee Rumania against aggression in return for a strenuous effort to meet Germany's needs for supplies under the Volst agreement.  
This will make possible the cultivation of 25,000,000 acres which were left unplanted last autumn.

### Moslem Support For Britain

Important Conference  
Set For Lahore

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
CALCUTTA, Mar. 14 (UP).—Simultaneously with the arrival of Mr. Ghaffar, at the Ramgarh Congress it was announced that the Moslem League had completed arrangements to hold a similar Congress at Lahore beginning March 20, and lasting several days.

### India's Gift For British Sailors

NEW DELHI, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The Viceroy has authorised the contribution of £275,000 from the Viceroy's War Purposes Fund to the King George's Fund for Sailors. He has requested the authorities of the India Fund to co-operate closely with the Indian Comforts Fund in London, which assists sailors.

### 1,496,000 TONS LOST, KOBE SURVEY CLAIMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

KOBE, Mar. 15 (Domel).—The sinking of merchant ships in European waters continued at a high rate in February, according to a survey by a local shipping concern.

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## Assassination Denounced

### Shocked Reactions By Indian Leaders

BOMBAY, Mar. 14 (UP).—Mr. Ghandi condemned the Cuxton Hall shooting in London yesterday, unreservedly describing it as "a fit of insanity."

He expressed the hope that it will not affect England's political judgment.

He condoled with Sir Michael O'Dwyer's family and congratulated Lord Zetland on his providential escape. He believes there was no political motive behind the murder.

#### Berlin Reaction

BERLIN, Mar. 14 (UP).—The afternoon newspapers featured the shooting of Sir Michael O'Dwyer in London, describing the deed as "shots at the oppressors by an Indian fighter for freedom."

They devoted double and triple columns to banners regarding the shooting, with columns of comment, and a description of the "Blood Bath of Amritsar," in April 1919 for which, they declared, the assassin was taking revenge.

#### No Political Significance

CALCUTTA, Mar. 14 (UP).—Abdul Kalam Azad, Incoming President of the Ramgarh Congress interviewed here regarding the shooting of Sir Michael O'Dwyer in London said: "We are most regretful over the London tragedy, but realize that it has no political significance."

#### Premier's Condolences

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuters).—In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in a statement on the shooting at Cuxton Hall yesterday, said: "The House will wish to join with me in expressing deep sympathy with Lady O'Dwyer and her family in the tragic loss they have suffered, and to extend to those wounded our good wishes for a rapid recovery."

"I understand that their injuries are not grave and that all are making satisfactory progress."

Mr. Chamberlain, in recounting the facts of the affair, gave the name of the charged man as Mohan Singh. (The name of the man charged at Bow Street Police Court early yesterday was given as Mohamed Azad, aged 37).

#### Unanimous Condemnation

NEW DELHI, Mar. 14 (Reuters).—The leaders of all parties in India have unanimously condemned the assassination on Wednesday, of Sir Michael O'Dwyer, former Governor of the Punjab, and the wounding of Lord Zetland, the Secretary of State for India, and other members at the India Association luncheon by a 37-year-old Indian engineer.

All Government offices at Lahore were closed to-day and flags were flown at half-mast over Government buildings.

Mahatma Gandhi called it an act of insanity. He expressed the hope that it will not affect political judgment. Sundras Bose, the Indian Leftist leader, said: "I regret the assassination because the chapter of terrorism has closed in Indian history. This is an isolated and unrepresentative incident."

#### India Horrified

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuters).—Indian clubs and associations to-day passed a resolution expressing horror at the act of violence and sent their deepest condolences to Lady O'Dwyer and family and their sympathy to others who were shot.

"They included the Indian Students' Union, the Muslim Society, Hindu Association, the Parsee Association, the India League, representative of the Moslem League, etc."

## KING WITH THE DOVER PATROL

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuters).—The King to-day spent several hours inspecting the Dover Patrol. Vice-Admiral Beatty explained the work of the patrol, and the King talked to the officers and men who man the destroyers, trawlers, paddle steamers and other craft that keep the narrow seas clear and safe for the passage of British ships.

His Majesty boarded a vessel fitted with the latest equipment for dealing with magnetic mines, and decorated six naval ratings.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Sealed Tenders will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 19th March, 1940, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Pork, Fish, Cheese, Butter, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions and necessaries, for the year ending 31st March, 1941.

Printed Forms of Tenders and further particulars can be obtained at the Royal Naval Hospital.

The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

G. V. HOBBS, Surgeon Captain, Medical Officer in Charge, Royal Naval Hospital, Hong Kong, 13th March, 1940.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 2nd APRIL, 1940, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1940, to TUESDAY, the 2nd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS, Secretary and Manager, Hongkong, 11th March, 1940.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 26th March, 1940, at noon for the consideration of the Directors' Report and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to 26th March, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK, Chief Manager, Hongkong, 27th February, 1940.

## CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

### SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

Bringing Cargo from Marseilles via Saigon.

Consignees are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before 20th March, 1940, or they will not be recognised.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard and Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10 a.m. on Friday, 15th March, 1940.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent.

## FINLAND RECEIVES WORLD SYMPATHY

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that Britain and France wanted to extend the war to Scandinavia. This was dismissed on Wednesday by one American paper which said that if the Allies had wanted to extend the war to the north they would have done so.

Nothing is said in Germany about Russia getting the big naval base at Hangoe but in London it is pointed out that the most likely reason for this is to ward off a possible German attack on Leningrad.

The Italian press is somewhat ambiguous. The papers accept the Nazi thesis of a set-back to the Allies and make a show of welcoming peace. However there is evidence of distaste at successful aggression.

The "Telegraph" says that the Russian attack was the most obvious of aggression in modern history.

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuters).—The Y.M.C.A. now has 100 mobile canteens operating in Britain. The 100th canteen was presented yesterday by the Guild of Vintners.

## THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 4th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st March to the 4th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. General Managers, The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 14th March, 1940.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday, 21st March, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1939, electing Directors and Auditors and fixing their fees.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 9th March to 21st March, 1940, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON, & CO., LTD. Agents, Hongkong, 22nd February, 1940.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 21st day of March, 1940, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution as a special resolution:—

"That the Capital of the Company be increased from its present Capital of \$6,000,000 Hong Kong currency divided into 600,000 shares of \$10 each to \$18,000,000 Hong Kong currency divided into 1,800,000 shares of \$10 each and that such additional shares shall rank in all respects pari passu with the original Capital of the Company."

And for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions, namely:—

"1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hong Kong currency part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund and to allot to the Members holding shares of the Company as on the 1st day of July, 1940, in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share for every two shares of the Company then held by such persons respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1940."

"2. That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional Certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractional shares making up such share."

By order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON, & CO., LTD., Agents, Hong Kong, 22nd February, 1940.

COUNT THE TELEGRAPHS EVERYWHERE

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of March, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Repulse Bay, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rent	Upst. Price
1	Lot No. 436	Between South Bay Road and Inland Road, Repulse Bay, North side of Inland Road, Building Lot No. 431.	N. S. E. W.	feet feet feet feet	As per sale plan.	About 43,000 sq. feet. \$ 494. \$ 10,750

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of March, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Blue Pool Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rent	Upst. Price
2	Lot No. 5747	Inland Lot No. 5747, Blue Pool Road.	N. S. E. W.	feet feet feet feet	As per sale plan.	About 61,500 sq. feet. \$ 1,582. \$ 33,600

## Wanchai Fire Smoulders

### Godown Blaze Not Yet Extinguished

Under control but as yet smoking and still necessitating the action of a fire hose, the gutted godown of the Kwong Sang Hong Ltd., Hennessy Road, Wanchai, which caught fire on Wednesday has proved a centre of attraction to thousands in the past two days.

This morning's heavy shower will do much in helping the work of the firemen who have been considerably hampered in their fire fighting operations by the vast amount of debris that is being supported by thousands of bags of rice stacked in the lower portion of the godown. If the debris, caused by the collapsing roof, could have been cleared, the fire would not have lasted as long as it has.

The configuration was discovered at 3 p.m. on Wednesday and from that time onwards numerous amateur photographers have visited the scene, clicking their cameras from every possible angle. Insurance Company representatives and other responsible people were at the fire shortly after its discovery.

At the time of the outbreak the godown was reported to have \$350,000 worth of goods, and the total damage is believed to exceed this sum.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of March, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rent	Upst. Price
3	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2770.	Between Chiu Street and Fook Wing Street, Shamshui.	N. S. E. W.	feet feet feet feet	As per sale plan.	About 5,760 sq. feet. \$ 100. \$ 1,250

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of March, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Castle Peak, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rent	Upst. Price
4	Ping Shan Inland Lot No. 4.	D. D. 376, Castle Peak.	N. S. E. W.	feet feet feet feet	As per sale plan.	About 45,870 sq. feet. \$ 210. \$ 2,250

## A MILLION PEOPLE HOMELESS

### Shocking Plight Of Finnish Evacuees

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" COPENHAGEN, Mar. 14 (UP).—A Stockholm report says there are 1,000,000 people homeless in Finland of which number, 450,000 are evacuees from ceded territory.

About 550,000 are homeless due to the bombings in Helsinki and other cities and villages. It is reported that many are living in holes in the ground in the forests.

HANGOO EVACUATION BEGINS HELSINGFORS, Mar. 14 (UP).—The evacuation of Hangoo Island, which must be ceded to Russia by March 22, began to-day.

This will probably represent Finland's most difficult evacuation problem. Efforts will be made to settle the evacuees as soon as possible in order to return to normal peacetime work and make up for the time lost during the war.

### C.B.S. DISPLAY

On account of the inclement weather, the Annual Physical Training Display which was to have been given by pupils of the Central British School to-day, has been postponed until Tuesday, March 19 at 6 p.m.

## STOCK EXCHANGE WARNING

LONDON, Mar. 14 (UP).—A Committee of the Stock Exchange caused a sensation to-day by posting the following notice warning members.

"There is reason to believe that enemy interests are making strenuous efforts to realize securities here; members must use the utmost care before executing orders coming from neutral sources."

## BELGIUM BITTER

### Papers' Contempt And Hatred For Russia

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuters).—The satisfaction expressed in certain Belgian papers yesterday over the Russo-Finnish peace has now disappeared.

Considerable bitterness is generally felt but all the papers pay tribute to Finland and have nothing but contempt and hatred for Russia.

The "Nation Belge" and "Libre Belgique" both point out the German responsibility.

Germany Responsible The "Nation Belge" appeared with headlines which read: "Finland is the victim of Germany as much as of Russia" and "Fearing Germany the Scandinavian States pressed Finland to accept the Soviet terms. Thus the Reich helped to subject the Russian voice on to a country which in 1918 she helped to rid of Red troops."

The "Libre Belgique" says, "Germany bears the brunt of responsibility for the tragedy. She prevented any efficient aid being sent to these small valiant people whom twenty years ago she helped to win their independence."

"Once again Hitler, the founder, inspirer and still the leader of the anti-Comintern front, contributes an extension to Bolshevism in Europe."

United States Criticized The chief criticism of the "Independence Belge" is directed against the United States.

After pointing out that Sweden, France, Britain and Italy contributed aid, the paper adds, "But America, on whom the Finns especially counted, granted a few million dollars but provided that this money was not to be devoted to war materials."

The paper adds: "No one has a right to reproach the Allies for non-intervention in Finland."

The "Albion" says: "Hitler wanted to profit from the Italian and British differences in order to realise his own ends but the British Government destroyed these hopes. The solution of the coal problem stripped Ribbentrop's visit to Rome of all value."

## Stock Market Rallies

### Rubber Is Depressed

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuters).—After a quiet session, some evidence of a rallying tendency was visible in the final stages of the Stock Exchange to-day.

Gilt-edged securities closed above the day's lowest, while home rails recovered to round about the opening levels.

The early decline of Indian Government bonds was halted during the afternoon.

Of the commodities, rubber and tin were easier, mainly owing to United States consumers holding off as their requirements are believed to be covered.

Rubber was further depressed by liquidation.

Wall Street was irregular.

### SPRATLEY ISLANDS TO STAY JAPANESE

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being barely maintained by means of shuttle trips, he said.

Yangtze Threat Questioned regarding the opening of the Yangtze River, the spokesman said that no definite date can be given or the situation remains unchanged. Asked about the American loan to China of \$20,000,000, the spokesman said that it is illogical for America to extend assistance to the Chungking Government to increase the latter's military activity against Japan and at the same time to ask Japan to reopen the Yangtze.

"There is no denying that the loan will serve to increase Chungking's military activity against Japan," he said.

"Assistance to China by third Powers will only delay reopening of the River."

Vladivostok Blockade Questioned about the reported Anglo-French plan to extend consular services to the Pacific, possibly near Vladivostok, the spokesman reiterated that extension of the European war to the Far East was the last thing in the world desired by the Japanese Navy.

"The operations of belligerent warships, including British ships, near Japanese territorial waters is extremely undesirable and will serve only to stimulate Japanese sentiment."

"Such matters should be considered not only from the legal, but from the political and sentimental view point."

## POST OFFICE

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 3 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

### INWARD MAILS

Saloon	Mar. 15.
Strait	Mar. 15.
U.S.A. and Manila—San Francisco	date, 17th Feb.
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## THE NAVY THAT FLIES

THE Fleet Air Arm was once a branch of the Royal Air Force. The Navy contributed three-quarters of the pilots and all the observers; it was administered by the Air Force ashore, and by the Navy when it served afloat.

This arrangement worked very well because it worked on unbounded goodwill; but it had certain disadvantages and in due course the Fleet Air Arm ceased to be a branch of the Royal Air Force. It is now a part of the Royal Navy, and it lives mostly in aircraft carriers and the larger men-of-war that carry aircraft.

Now in certain parts of the coast there is a great deal of co-operation between the Air Force and the Navy.

If you remember they gave a remarkable demonstration of this on Trafalgar Day, when a convoy escorted by the Navy was attacked by German bombers. The Air Force fighters came whistling out from the coast like a stream of machine-gun bullets in defence of the convoy. Twelve enemy machines took part in that attack. Only five returned to Germany.

At one of these points where the two services are in close touch, a squadron of Fleet Air Arm fighters on board an aircraft carrier recently got orders to fly off and take a spell ashore.

I think the idea was to give them a rest because they had had a lot of gruelling fights and possibly to give them opportunities for certain specialised training. Anyhow they cocked an eye to windward and gave a hitch to their trousers and did all the things sailors do when they are told to go somewhere and do something, and off they went—streaming up from the deck of their carrier one after the other like bees going up from the alighting board.

WHEN I found them they had come to earth on a bleak headland with hangars and rows of huts, the only things that broke the skyline.

They agreed that one good thing they had in plenty, and that was fresh air. There is normally only one sound on an aerodrome—the roar of propellers as engines are warmed through and machines take off or alight. Whenever there was a lull in this one heard, the cry of gulls above the cliffs, and the faint grumble of the surf.

Working in conjunction with the Air Force they instituted a continuous naval patrol across a part of the North Sea from dawn to dusk. One day was very like another except that sometimes the fog came rolling in from the sea and, unless the visibility was too low for flying or they intercepted an enemy reconnaissance or bombing machine, one patrol was very like another. This squadron of Fleet Air Arm fighters is carrying out, day after day, what I shared with them for a few hours.

First of all a word about the kit. Full flying kit consists of a combination suit like the skin of a teddy bear. On top of that goes a wind-proof combination suit with a high collar lined with fleece. Then comes a life-saving waistcoat.

This can be inflated in a few moments by the wearer, and for some obscure reason is known technically as a "Mae West".

The parachute harness buckles on over this. It is a cumbersome arrangement to walk about in, but it can be released in a second, and there are moments when it gives its wearer quite a lot of moral support. Lastly there is a flying helmet with earphone attachments, gauntlet gloves, and fleece-lined flying boots.

Now picture rows of wooden huts, something like what one imagines a mining camp to be, rising out of a sea of mud churned up by lorries and all the traffic of a camp. In one of these huts, warmed by a paraffin stove and lit by a single hurricane lamp, the fighting pilots and observers are pulling on their flying kit. They were all pretty young—two of the pilots were Midshipmen, one a Sub-Lieutenant—a South African. There were two Marine Officers. Several were Petty Officers, ex-telegraphist Air Gunners and so on.

I SEEM to remember that in the last war there was a good deal of rather feverish—almost macabre—gossip among the fighting pilots along the front. They made jokes about death.

I haven't noticed any of that in this war. I thought they all looked soberly cheerful. Much the same expressions framed by the leather helmets and lit by the flame of the hurricane lamp as I could recall, on the faces in the changing room before a rather important football match.

Then one by one, burdened by the harness, they went squelching through the mud towards the landing ground where the fighters were drawn up.

A bank of grey low-lying cloud hung overhead; beyond the edge of the cliffs the sea was visible for a mile and then was obscured by mist. There was a silvery bright-

ness in the sky to eastward which was reflected in the puddles. The cold wind blowing off the land, carrying silvery wisps of rain across the aerodrome, smelt of heather and the hills.

The engines were being warmed through—that meant that the naval fighting machines, drawn up a little to seaward of the ranks of L.A.F. machines, were roaring like all the bulls of Bashan.

Each pilot and observer walked to their allotted machines. Two of them stopped to exchange a remark drowned by the deafening roar of the engines in the slipstream, where normal speech is, of course, an impossibility.

The speaker reached out for the tube of the other's headphone and

spoke into it. The observer did the same and they both laughed. They were finishing a conversation they started in the hut; in that rush of air and uproar it was their secret. We climbed up into our cockpits. They were all two-seater fighters.

ONE observer was so obviously unfamiliar with the situation that a member of the maintenance personnel—a cheerful red-faced person with little drops of rain on his eyebrows—leaned over

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### NEW P.A.A. AGENT

Mr. Delaney Going On Leave Soon  
Mr. Owen Johnson, who will act as managing agent for Pan American Airways in Hongkong when Mr. Phil Delaney goes on leave to Miami, Florida shortly, arrived yesterday by the China Clipper from Manila. Mr. Johnson has been stationed with Pan American office in Manila.  
Mr. J. L. Fleming of the Bishop Trust Co., Honolulu was the only other passenger to arrive by yesterday's Clipper. Mr. Fleming is proceeding to Malaya and Sumatra where his company owns several rubber estates.

the edge of the cockpit and demonstrated a few essentials such as the stowage of the parachute, the switches of the wireless telephone that connected the machine with the base, the release gear of the gun, how the strap clipped the observer into his seat.

After that he grinned and wished me a happy landing and disappeared. And then the roaring grew a little louder and the ground flowed bumpily away beneath us, turned in a wide circle and receded.

It was quite far beneath us by the time I had finished fiddling about with my straps and switches and trays of machine-gun ammunition and looked over the edge to see what was happening.

It was doing funny things—the earth we had left behind—tilting on edge a bit, and a mare and her foal in a field and some sheep on the edge of a cliff seemed quite unconscious that they were grazing at a most impossible angle; and there was a rushing wind that sang in the wires and a rather queer feeling of lightness in the region of the tummy.

I screwed my head round and saw the other fighters, quite close to us. Their movement was like that of boats, rising and dipping slightly on the surface of an invisible sea. The real sea was far beneath us, dark greenish grey, and then it faded.

The observer in the next machine was blowing his nose on a pocket handkerchief. I rather envied him that pocket handkerchief. I couldn't get at mine through all those layers of flying kit. Perhaps it didn't matter, up there above the clouds. They stretched beneath us like an Arctic panorama, with little dark streaks which was the sea thousands of feet below showing through rifts in a white floor that looked like pack ice, and cloud mountains in the far distance catching the first rays of the rising sun.

Not only did handkerchiefs not matter, but nothing seemed to me to matter very much, because we had been climbing steadily for some time and the altitude produced a curious feeling of detachment. It seemed impossible to recapture any emotion; one was sure only of peace: a sort of Nirvana; and a rushing wind tearing through empty space; blue sky above and a white light gleaming on the cloud floor beneath.

A little voice spoke in my earphone—a buzzing mumble. It was the pilot speaking. "Keep a good look-out". That was what we were there for, of course. Somewhere out of the cloud mountains to the south-east, or out of the blue of space, a speck might appear, or a cluster of specks, and we should be after them full split. And death would be abroad in that sunny emptiness. It was queer to think of death, up there in all that peace.

ONE of the pilots—the youngest, aged twenty—said one evening that the hunt was grand. It was the kill that wasn't so funny.

He himself had intercepted a German bombing machine one afternoon and a grim game of touch-lash began in a series of gigantic cloud valleys.

The enemy dived and banked and dodged from one cloud cover to another, and the relentless pursuit went on, 'until', said the midshipman, 'I nipped ahead to a cloud I thought he'd make for and I waited for him on the other side. Gosh, it was fun! I got him as he came through at 200 yards range. But then, when you saw the poor devils spinning down nose first through the clouds, with smoke pouring from the engine, it wasn't so good. I hated that part of the business.'

So that's how they feel about it. Occasionally disaster comes to one of our machines. This same pilot—I think he is the youngest fighting pilot in the Fleet Air Arm—had engine trouble when on patrol over the North Sea the other day. Down he came from ten thousand feet—planing down in the direction of a trawler he remembered seeing earlier.

He hit the water at 90 miles an hour, slap into a fifteen-foot swell, about three miles from the trawler. Another fighter in his patrol saw him going down and followed him through the clouds. The trawler's crew were below decks and to attract their attention the undamaged plane circled round, firing an occasional burst of machine-gun fire.

The trawler's crew decided reasonably enough that they were being attacked by a German machine and stayed below. In the meanwhile the observer very shakily managed to launch their collapsible dinghy; but that in some way became entangled with the tail of the machine, and the pilot in trying to free it got his hand nipped in the hinge of the rudder.

So there he was up to his waist in icy water, clamped by his wrist to a machine that at any moment might cock up her tail and dive to the bottom.

The observer realised the situation in the trawler and most gallantly decided to try to swim to her for help. So off he set, supported by his 'Mae West'.

The other fighter was circling helplessly overhead; she must have looked like a distracted mother peewit. However, her strange behaviour reassured the trawler's crew.

They came up on deck and finally sighted the wreckage of the plane. Stoking for all they were worth they came rushing to the rescue and hauled the observer and the pilot on board.

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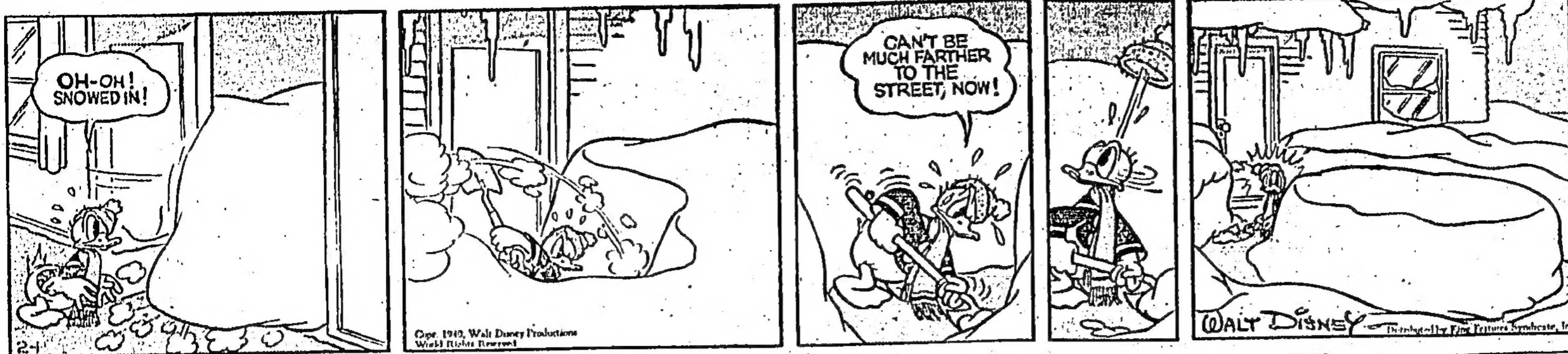
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## London War Diary

First Lord at Manchester. Mr. Rex Leeper.  
Westward's Owner. Canadian French.

MR. CHURCHILL was at the top of his form on Saturday, and, as the "Times" revealed, had a great reception from his Lancashire audience.

He may well have felt that, in a political sense, his foot was on his native heath. He contested Oldham as a Conservative in 1929 and won it in 1930. In the 1935 election he stood as a Liberal for the Conservative stronghold of North-West Manchester and won a victory that was remarkable even in that land.

He was then Under-Secretary for the Colonies in the new Liberal Administration. When in 1935 he became President of the Board of Trade he had to face a difficult by-election under the old rule that an M.P. must be a resident of the constituency. He resigned his seat and sought re-election.

He put up a great fight, but was beaten by Sir William Joynton-Hicks, afterwards Lord Brentford.

## Telephonic Diplomacy?

I WAS amused to see that some Sunday papers yesterday fell into the same mistake as the "Times" radio. This was that Mr. Rex Leeper had long talks with Mr. Angeliu, the Rumanian Minister for National Economy. If so, they must have been by telephone.

For Mr. Leeper, though appointed an Minister in Bucharest, has never taken up his post. Our Minister who has been conferring with the Rumanian Government on the question of oil exports is Sir Reginald Hoare, whom Mr. Leeper was to have relieved.

Mr. Leeper is in charge of a department of the Foreign Office dealing with certain problems arising out of the war. It has its headquarters not in Downing-street, but in a rural district where rationing is less liable to interruption than in Whitehall.

His exact whereabouts are a secret. One of its members told me confidentially that he was near the place where the three countries of Wallonia, Dukes and Suffolk meet.

## South African Yachtsman

MR. T. B. DAVIS, the South African millionaire who has given £100,000 for the purchase of the South African coast, is a native of Jersey. Going to sea when a boy, he was wrecked and cast adrift alone in the North Sea in a tiny boat.

Some Scandinavian sailors picked him up and "T.B." always remembered the name of the little ship that saved him. Many years afterwards, when he had amassed great wealth, he sent his family, who by that time were widely scattered.

## Made His Own Racing Sails

HE sailed the seas as a merchant captain and made a fortune in wharfing enterprises on the South African coast. In the last decade of King George V's reign he became a notable figure at Cowes, where his picture, Herreshoff schooner Westward against the King's Britannia.

Mr. Davis is eminently a practical yachtsman. With his own crew in Jersey he personally made all the racing sails of the Westward, a job quite unique in yachting.

Merry racing days aboard Westward were a feature of many Cowes Weeks. Admirals, princes, midshipmen, sailors, boy scouts, soldiers and landlubbers would all be a-hauling on the main sheet shoulder to shoulder as the great ship was doing her 13 knots through Cowes Roads.

He has seen as many as 40 together, and "T.B." at the wheel, an eccentric and not always a silent host.

## A Pro-Roith Decision

I FIND I was wrong in giving the credit to Sir John Roith for the decision of the Ministry of Information to send papers by air to Paris for transmission to countries beyond France.

Early in November the Ministry decided that newspapers should be flown to Paris in order to speed up the time of their arrival in Italy, the Balkans, Spain and Portugal. Another newspaper, aeroplane service was then arranged for Scandinavia.

At the time only the latter could be put into effect. Now the machines are available, the Paris service to-day becomes an accomplished fact.

## A Kitchener Precedent

SIR ARCHIBALD SINCLAIR was able to quote an interesting precedent yesterday in support of suggestions made to the Prime Minister. These were that in future private speeches by members of the War Cabinet should be confined to the 1922 Committee of Conservative backbenchers.

He recalled that Lord Kitchener had addressed a private meeting of M.P.s of all parties when he was War Secretary. It was the last speech Lord Kitchener made. He met a gathering of M.P.s on June 2, 1916. Three days later he was lost in the Hampshire.

So keen were M.P.s to take advantage of what was at that time an unprecedented opportunity that the meeting had to be transferred from the War Office to one of the Parliamentary rooms.

Socialist Mr. Will Crooks moved the vote of thanks.

## The Boy Father of the Man

THERE was a very representative gathering at the lunch to Mr. Gordon Selfridge yesterday. Lord Ashfield, who presided in the unavoidable absence of Lord Beaverbrook, made a very graceful speech in proposing the health of the guest.

In his reply, Mr. Selfridge retailed one of his earliest adventures in business. As a boy, he and a friend, equally precocious, started a monthly magazine. He was the business manager and obtained from the local dentist a 25 cent advertisement, but failed to collect the money.

In order that the firm should not be the loser he squared the account by getting the dentist to extract a perfectly sound tooth. "Which," said Mr. Selfridge, "I miss to this day."

Retirement for Mr. Selfridge does not mean idleness. Though he has resigned his post as chairman of the firm, he is still working. And I am sure he will.

## Poetry from the Throne

THE Emperor of Japan very rarely speaks his own thoughts to his people. His edicts and his speeches at the opening of the Diet are framed by his Ministers.

His subjects, however, find the authentic voice of the "Imperial Son of Heaven" in his poem which is read at the New Year Imperial poetry reading.

This poetry party draws the throne and the people very close together for another reason. Any of the Emperor's subjects are allowed to compete. The five best poems being chosen for reading. This year there were over 35,000 entries.

The psychological influence of the Emperor's poem on his people can hardly be exaggerated.

## Romantic Royal Centenary

ADMIRAL MARK KERR'S interests in the last days of the last war were devoted mainly to the air. It was, I believe, owing to his statement in 1917 of the case for a separate Air Ministry that the Cabinet decided on the creation of the R.A.F.

The Admiral retired from the Navy and R.A.F. in 1918. He has now returned to his first service and is acting as liaison officer in charge of the Auxiliary Naval Hospital.

A man of many interests, one being the theatre, he hopes to find time from his duties next week to come to London to provide over the celebration of the marriage of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert. This is being held on Feb. 10 at the Dorchester.

The celebration has been arranged by Constantine Smedley, the author, who has many plays to her credit, as a gesture of thanks to the Royal family for their interest in and support for the theatre. His object is also to make known the many difficulties under which the theatre is working in war-time.

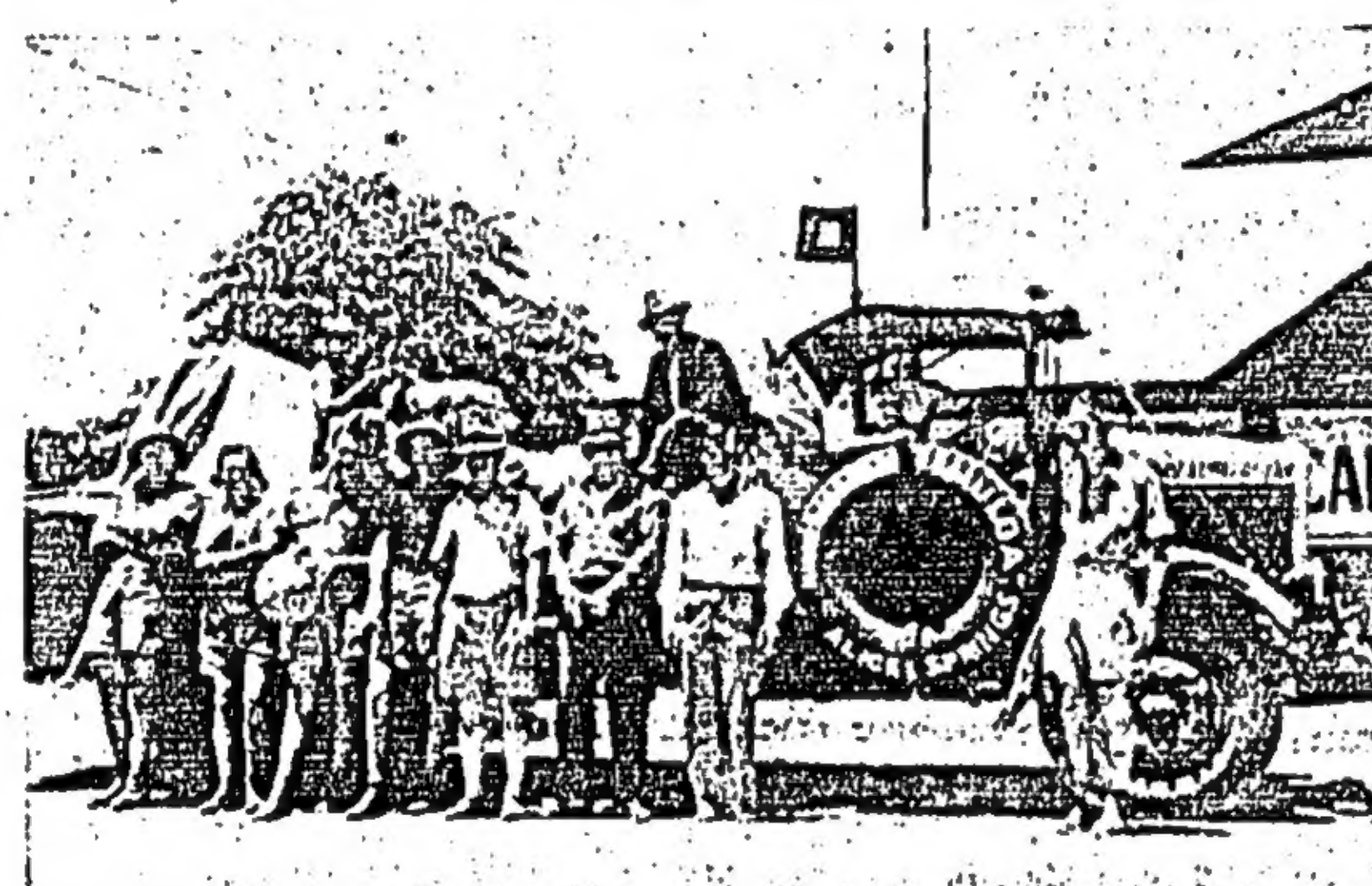
## Caledonia Stern and Wild

THE Nazi secret service is said to be in trouble for not having reported the existence of a newly formed Scottish regiment. The German High Command first learnt of the existence of the Caledonian Highlanders from a London paper.

PETERBOROUGH.

## NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

A New Daily Feature for the Australian naval units in Far Eastern waters.



VOLUNTEERS FROM ALICE SPRINGS.—The first ten volunteers from Alice Springs, Central Australia, ready to depart for Darwin, a 1,000 mile journey. Six of this group, who enlisted for service overseas, will have to travel at least a further 3,000 miles before arriving at a training camp.

## BUILDING OF SHIPS

ADELAIDE.—Two thousand men will be employed if the Broken Hill, Pty. Co., Ltd., carries out its plan to build ships at Whyalla, near the head of Spencer Gulf. Ships of more than 1,500 tons may be built.

The Minister for Customs (Senator McLeay) said recently that a hint to this effect had been given by the company, but no details had been released. The object is to make known the many difficulties under which the theatre is working in war-time.

Whyalla would be an excellent site, for it was in the "safety zone" of Australia. It was not expected that the company would have any difficulty in States with counterfeited money. The project had a great defence value.

Apart from the huge outlay of capital on the shipbuilding industry at Whyalla, expenditure on harbour deepening and extension works already well in hand, would amount to £2,000,000, said the Premier (Mr. Playford).

## FORGED "FIVERS"

SYDNEY.—Forged £5 notes were passed in Sydney and Melbourne recently. Police believe that their prompt action frustrated an attempt to flood both States with counterfeit money. More than 100 notes, declared by the police to be forgeries, were recovered during the raid.

In Sydney police detained nine men and a woman. The police wireless station spent almost the whole afternoon broadcasting a description of suspects, who, the announcer said, were using cars and taxicabs. Suburban patrols were directed by radio where to go.

Bookmakers at Randwick and Moonon Valley were warned to be alert, because it was discovered that counterfeit notes were being circulated there.

## "TRACKED SCOUT CARRIER"

MELBOURNE.—Australian Army experts are designing a new vehicle, a "Tracked scout carrier," which will be capable of taking a heavily armed crew, over most ground rapidly, to enable men to take up a vantage point when under direct enemy fire. It is hoped to begin the production of these vehicles soon.

This was announced by the Minister for the Army in Melbourne on Monday, when he said that tanks were imported, but that armoured reconnaissance cars were made in local factories. Quantity production of machine gun carriers was in hand, and deliveries at a satisfactory rate were expected to begin within a few weeks. The design incorporated a number of unusual features, but apart from engine and transmission units was of local design and construction.

## TALLON'S RECORD

BRISBANE.—Don Tallon, Queensland wicket-keeper, was responsible for a remarkable performance in the Brisbane Cricket Association's fixture, when he figured in the dismissal of every Toombul batsman. He caught the first three

batsmen behind the wicket; then, doffed the gloves and secured the five remaining wickets—Toombul batted two men short—of his own bowling. Another wicket-keeper for four over, was that Pezz, his substitute, gave a brilliant performance behind the wicket to catch two and stump one of Tallon's five victims. Le Frans and Locke, each of whom reached the 70's scored 114 for the fourth wicket in 88 minutes.

Tallon came from behind the wicket to dismiss them both. This is the first occasion in Brisbane cricket that a wicket-keeper has played the dual role to dismiss a whole side.

Although Don Tallon's feat in sharing in the dismissal of the whole Toombul side is unique for a wicket-keeper, four other players in Brisbane cricket have dismissed a whole team. All are bowlers.

Tallon caught three behind the wickets, and then, taking a turn with the ball, took five wickets for 50. As Toombul batted two short, he shared in the dismissal of the entire team.

Outstanding bowling feat in club cricket is Gil Hardcastle's 10 wickets for 14 runs for Toombul against Valley, on November 24, 1934.

Others to capture all 10 wickets were the late R. K. Oxenham, C. B. Barstow and Cecil Thompson. All performance were recorded on almost unplayable wickets.

Tallon, as a wicket-keeper, equalled the world's record last season by claiming 12 victims (six in each innings). He also shares a Sheffield Shield record—seven victims in an innings—on five occasions last season he secured six wickets in a single innings.

Tallon previously has done well as a bowler. Last season on two occasions he captured six wickets in an innings, but Pezz kept wickets throughout these innings.

## QUIST CHAMPION

SYDNEY.—The interruption of Ajax's winning sequence in turf events last year caused no bigger surprise than John Bromwich's straight-sets defeat by Jack Crawford in the semi-final of the Australian singles championship. Crawford won 6-1, 6-1, 9-7, yet before the match it was impossible to back Bromwich at 16 to 1 on. Crawford played superb tennis, holding the initiative throughout against the title-holder, who is 11 years younger.

Weighed by his singles exertions, Crawford played poor tennis to Quist, the close of the doubles final with McGrath against Quist—Bromwich, who retained their title, 6-2, 7-5, 6-1.

In the women's doubles, Misses Wynne-Coyne gained their fifth successive victory by defeating Misses Hartigan-Niemeyer 7-5, 6-2.

Capping a season which included a major part of Australia's Davis Cup success, Adrian Quist won his second national singles title, by defeating Jack Crawford 6-3, 6-0, 6-2.

Quist expected a repetition of Crawford's display against Bromwich and to counter that he lifted his game to a height which he has never exceeded. His ground shots and his usual net

## A Look Through The "Telegraph"

## 50 YEARS AGO

Mar. 16, 1890.  
The St. Patrick's Dance promises to be unusually lively affair this year, having been invited to honour the memory of "ould Ireland's" patron saint—more power to his elbow. And, as might be expected, the Committee are sparing no pains to ensure a pleasant evening for their friends.

The semi-official press in Berlin states that Prince Bismarck has only deferred his resignation of the Chancellorship, which is owing to the result of the election, and is regarded as a further proof of the want of accord between the Prince and the Emperor William.

## 25 YEARS AGO

Mar. 15, 1935.  
"Battle stopped by Mud," says a "Times" headline. This is the first time, we believe, that any material success has attended the energies of the Ostasiatische Lloyd and Wolff Agency (the German news agencies).

The exhibition of the dead tiger at the City Hall last week was a god-send in its way. Hongkong has not been so stirred out of its habitual lethargy since the 1906 typhoon. The war has been nothing to it.

## 10 YEARS AGO

Mar. 15, 1930.  
Sir William Peel, the new Governor of Hongkong, in succession to Sir Cecil Clementi, had an audience with His Majesty the King to-day when he kissed hands on his appointment to the Governorship.

## 5 YEARS AGO

Mar. 16, 1935.  
Germany's official attitude to the possession of a fighting Air Force is not likely to be accepted in silence in France. It is pointed out that the admission of an infringement of the Treaty of Versailles raises a number of legal and diplomatic problems which the Quai d'Orsay is examining and introduces into the coming Anglo-German negotiations.

The admission, it is pointed out here, is also a flagrant contradiction of the Anglo-French communique of February 3, which stated that neither Germany nor any other power whose armaments were fixed by the Peace Treaty, had a right to modify its obligations unilaterally.

In a broadcast speech addressed to the people of Japan, Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan of the Chinese Government, appealed to the Japanese people for sincere co-operation in carrying out the Great East Asia Policy laid down by his father, Sun Yat-sen.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued yesterday says:

Business was brisk during the day and prices in a few instances registered advances. Hongkong Banks declined ten points, but closed with an unsatisfied demand at \$1,400 after shares passing at that rate.

## Buyers

H.K. Bank \$1,455  
Union Ins. \$2,075  
Fires Ins. \$153  
Wharves \$194  
Docks \$223  
Providence \$230  
Lands \$27  
Electricity \$67  
China Light (Old) \$2.20  
Electricity \$67  
Cement \$19.00  
Hopes \$5.50  
Watsons \$104  
Entertainments \$7.40

## Sellers

H.K. Bank \$1,400  
Union Ins. \$2,000  
Douglas \$140/150  
Docks \$22.05  
Providence \$15/16.20  
Lands \$27  
Electricity \$67  
China Light (Old) \$2.20/20.4  
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By LARS MORRIS

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1—Fruitless	2—Part of Spain	3—Attendant	4—Periodically recurring	5—Unaccompanied	6—Kind of school	7—Movie nickname	8—Animative	9—Musical notes	10—Persian ruler
11—Island	12—German city	13—West	14—Carpenter's tool	15—One	16—Dressed	17—Bad dream	18—Disease of peace	19—Exhaust	20—Equivalent
21—Dodge	22—Roman money	23—Virginia (abbr.)	24—Mohammed's father	25—Attention	26—Famous surgeon	27—Legal thing	28—Dust	29—Modest stone	30—Derwent
31—Expectation	32—Hanses								

DOWN									
1—Perfect person	2—Live to Party	3—In order that	4—Enlight	5—Near-shaded one	6—Water-heater	7—Recur	8—Verdancy	9—Coat Day	10—Pecuniary
11—Convent inmate	12—Governor of New York	13—Governor of New York	14—Love of Thomas	15—Male deer	16—Put up	17—Take part of	18—More unusual	19—Mole of talent	20—African rapture
21—Hear	22—That thing	23—Ward in package	24—Man from Toledo	25—No be it	26—Worry	27—More unusual	28—Female relatives	29—Are domestic	30—Drama out
31—Answer argument	32—That thing	33—Unlucky	34—Unlucky	35—Unlucky	36—Unlucky	37—Unlucky	38—Unlucky	39—Unlucky	40—Unlucky

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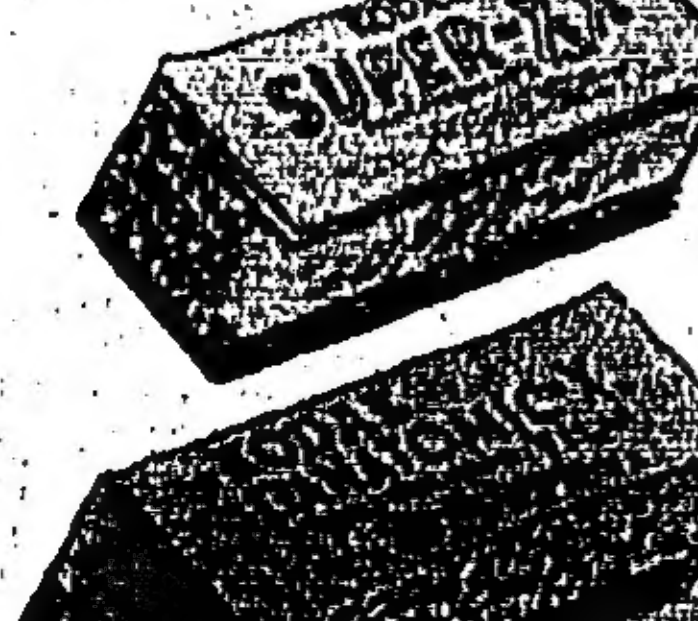
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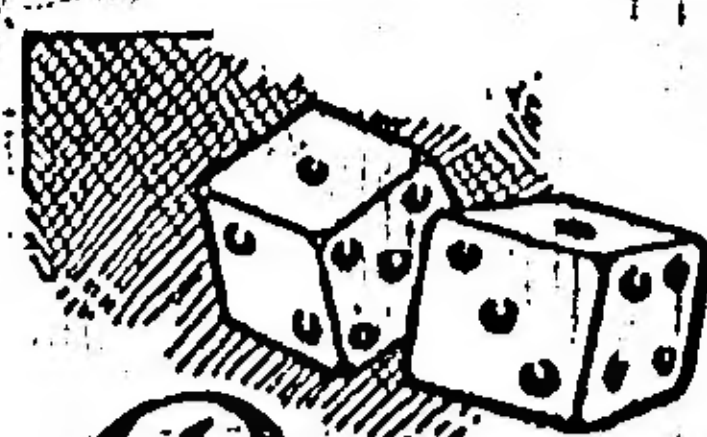
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### Guarantees

That Yugoslavia should have  
shown open resistance to Axis  
demands for control of its rail-  
roads and industries in the event  
of war, and that to this resistance  
has now been added the less  
open but apparently as real  
objections of Hungary to do-  
mination by Germany must be  
encouraging to British states-  
men at a time when encourage-  
ment is more than usually  
welcome.

British backing for the  
Yugoslav stand is visible. If  
similar support exists for Hun-  
gary's attitude, it is not yet vi-  
sible, and indeed will not be until  
all hope of keeping German  
friendship without accepting  
German overlordship has van-  
ished in Budapest. Moreover,  
the British are at this moment  
preoccupied with the Baltic  
developments. Beside those,  
the question of Hungary's posi-  
tion may seem secondary.

Hungary's position is com-  
plicated by its need of friend-  
ship with Germany, by  
trade relations with the latter  
which always contain a threat  
to Hungarian economic inde-  
pendence, by fear for Hungary's  
political independence should  
Germany monopolise Hungarian  
markets, and by the fact that an  
extremely active and strategic-  
ally situated National Socialist  
movement exists in Hungary.

Next door to Greater Ger-  
many little Hungary has to use  
tact. Hungarian statesmen have  
had to be doubly tactful in sat-  
isfying their own people that  
Hungary was not coming under  
the yoke of any big Power and  
in satisfying at least one big  
Power that Hungary was  
pursuing no foreign policy  
adverse to that larger country's  
interests.

Should Britain's guarantees be  
extended to Hungary, they  
would cover two States which  
have a territorial dispute be-  
tween them. Hungary demands  
the return of Transylvania from  
Rumania. Possibly as guaran-  
tee of both States against a  
third party's threat, Britain  
may unwittingly acquire the  
role of umpire between them.  
This should, however, be hardly  
less embarrassing than Ger-  
many's new position between  
Russia and anti-Comintern  
Japan.

## HITLER and RUSSIA

# SEVEN YEARS AFTER

Last month was an anniversary  
both vivid and sinister. We may  
say that it glares in history. Will it  
be a marked date again?

Seven years have passed. Hitler  
became Chancellor of the Reich on  
January 30, 1933. That evening he  
stood in the lighted window while the  
great torchlight procession tramped  
and flared below.

### Demagogue of Reaction

Europe had known no ascent like  
this. It was the unique apotheosis  
of a demagogue of reaction and a  
mob-man urging autocracy.

It was portentous past all guessing  
at that time. Hitler was resolved to  
destroy the ideals of the League of  
Nations and to restore the Germanic  
war-creed in a more formidable shape  
than ever.

### Then and Now

When he rose to Bismarck's place  
as a preliminary, he was soon to  
succeed Hindenburg. He became an  
uncrowned Kaiser with more power  
than any of them since Charlemagne  
and the Otos a thousand years be-  
fore.

Seven years ago Germany contained  
about 65,000,000 people. He has  
created by cumulative violence an  
empire of nearly twice the size, with  
about 110,000,000 of inhabitants.

Napoleon never had so many sub-  
jects.

### "Munich to Moscow"

When Hitler became Chancellor he  
proclaimed himself the implacable  
antagonist of the Bolshevik revolu-  
tion. He destroyed Czechoslovakia  
at Munich amidst the wild excre-  
tions of Moscow. He murdered  
Poland with Moscow's aid.

By means of the Nazi-Soviet com-  
pact he precipitated another European  
war. It may become another world-  
war before we are done with it and  
him.

### Neutrals and Jeopardy

Like Wallenstein he has his touch  
of irreligious superstition. Men of  
his type are apt to regard seven years  
as a mystical number.

From one end of Europe to the  
other the lesser kingdoms are in dread,  
not knowing what any day may  
bring. Not one of them feels safe.  
Nazi victory would make vassals of  
them all. Not one of them would be  
free as now.

### The Miltoic Cause

This war in the moral sense is the  
greatest of wars. The Allies cause  
is true and glorious in the Miltoic  
sense. It is a war for European  
freedom and for the rights and hopes  
of man in all the world.

Could Hitlerism triumph, the po-  
litical and humane ideals of western  
civilisation would suffer their worst  
throwback since the Dark Ages.

Against this deep historic back-  
ground of to-day the more acute  
ordal of the neutrals in north-  
western, central, and eastern Europe  
must be seen, as well as the im-  
mortal example of the Finns.

### Alarm in the Low Countries

Holland and Belgium, have been  
roused as by the touch. They fear  
that they and not Sweden and  
Norway might find themselves first  
in the firing line.

One of the Nazi trespassers in the  
air had been brought down in  
Belgium. Among his papers were  
photographs of Belgian defences.  
Along the Dutch frontier heavy move-  
ments of German troops were ac-  
companied by the bullying obligato  
of the Nazi Press.

It seemed possible that the viola-  
tion of either kingdom or both might  
be imminent. The Dutch Cabinet  
held a special meeting last Sunday.  
Military leave was cancelled in both  
countries. All measures were taken  
for instant resistance.

### "Free or Die"

In Brussels additional troops were  
called up to the number of nearly  
40,000. Practically Belgium is on a  
war-footing, with nearly 700,000 men  
available.

The Dutch are determined not to  
fall below the unyielding spirit of  
their ancestors in the heroic age  
when liberty was won. One Finland  
makes many.

No doubt is now left that both the  
Low Countries will stand together to  
the death if either is assailed.

Nazi submarines attack Netherlands  
shipping with peculiar brutality. If  
this is meant to intimidate, the effect  
upon a people with the fibre, and  
traditions of the Dutch has been the  
opposite.

### The Hanging Cloud

Both in Holland and Belgium the  
apprehension of immediate onslaught  
has passed. But there is no real lull.  
A million German troops with a  
mighty equipment are massed along  
the frontiers of the Low Countries  
and Luxembourg.

Just as in Schlieffen's time, the  
Nazis plan for invading all the  
territories should Hitler decide to  
give the signal are detailed, time-  
tabled, and complete. They could be  
operated any day.

### "Qui Vive?"

Three considerations are instruc-  
tive. First, Hitler will hardly  
hazard a mechanical attack on the  
Low Countries while there is danger  
of a short frost and thaw. He must  
be surer of his weather.

Second, it is not so certain that the  
name would pay. Belgium and  
Holland are in a far stronger position  
than when war broke out. The  
Allies can give swift support. The  
Nazi onslaught might be foiled after  
revolting the world.

Third, if Hitlerism established air-  
bases against Britain in a conquered  
Holland, the enemy's communications  
would become much more vulnerable  
to British bombers.

For these reasons, it is quite possi-  
ble that Hitler, Goring, and the  
Generals have not yet taken a funda-  
mental decision to strike at and  
through the Low Countries when the  
going is good. But the watchword  
on the menaced side is "Qui vive?"  
and the sentinels are unsleeping.

### Mind and Matter

For the moment, however, the  
Scandinavian situation is the graver.  
The world is forced to realise that  
what seemed unthinkable may occur.  
A Russian attack on Sweden and Nor-  
way can no longer be ruled out of  
reckoning. We live in an age of  
monstrous possibilities. In the moral  
sphere their shapes are like the  
horrible forms of giant reptiles and  
other creatures far back in geological  
time.

As formerly against Finland, the  
Soviet organs opened with a Nazi  
technique of abuse and menace. To  
both Stockholm and Oslo the Krem-  
lin sent notes meant to intimidate.  
The replies were wary but not weak.

### Challenge and Stand

The northern kingdoms are well  
within their legal as well as moral  
right in aiding the Finns. They can-  
not desert. Human nature forbids it.  
So do the life and death issues con-  
cerning their own safety.

The subject has been spread out  
in the Soviet newspapers. Semi-  
official statements pronounce that the  
Swedish and Norwegian replies,  
especially the former, were unsatis-  
factory and fringed danger.

### Will the Bear Dance?

All depends upon whether the  
Kremlin can be induced by Hitler  
and Ribbentrop to pay the price of  
Mephistopheles, whose bargain was  
for body and soul.

So, the full alliance that Hitler and  
Ribbentrop seek, would offer the  
largest of delusive advantages but  
would put Moscow at the mercy of  
the Reich.

The weaknesses of the Soviet Em-  
pire would be gravely increased by  
an attack on Sweden and Norway.

Annexation of northernmost Nor-  
way so as to give Russia open ports  
on the North Atlantic at Narvik and  
Hammerfest is easy to talk of but not  
easy to do.

### Swedish Iron-Ore

The greatest of the Swedish iron-  
mines are in northern Lapland, far  
within the Arctic circle. They are  
marvellous deposits said to contain  
90 per cent. of all Europe's high-  
percentage iron-ore.

If Russia conquered northern Fin-  
land the shadow of her hand would  
fall upon the Lapland iron-fields.

Moscow would never be allowed to  
possess them. Germany is the chief  
buyer of the Swedish ore, and covets  
control of that resource more than  
anything except the mastery of  
Rumanian oil.

### Stalin's Test

Less than four months ago Stalin  
had the cards in his hands. He  
held all the trumps. He seemed the  
most astute player alive. Then, in  
the flush of assurance, he lost his  
acumen and fumbled his cards.

There has been no such blunder—  
but this is worse—since the Napoleon  
of Tilsit began to defeat himself by  
despising Portugal.

It is certain that Stalin was misled  
by false advice. Why should he not  
settle with Finland and Scandinavia?  
Why should the autocrat of all the  
Russias become Ribbentrop's monkey?  
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# FINLAND'S Strong Old Man

by George Godwin

WHO is this Field-Marshal  
Mannerheim, leader of Fin-  
land's gallant little army against  
the might of Russia?

We have all read about the Man-  
nerheim Line—the defence system  
he has built up along sections of his  
country's eastern frontier.

But what kind of man is this  
73-year-old soldier who has behind  
him the faith and confidence of all  
his countrymen?

To understand a little of what Carl  
Gustav Mannerheim means to the  
Finns one must know why he has  
become a legend in his own life-time.

For that happens to few men.  
Nations mostly prefer their heroes  
dead.

The reason is very simple. Had  
there been no Mannerheim, there  
would have been no Republic of  
Finland.

Very tall—he stands six feet two  
inches in his socks—Field-Marshal  
Mannerheim, Baron in the Peerage  
of Finland, is as lean and as hard  
and as upright to-day as he was  
when, in 1917, after the collapse of  
the Empire of the Tsars, for whom  
he had been fighting, he slipped over  
the Karelian frontier into Finland,  
which was then part of the Russian  
Empire.

When Russia collapsed as our ally,  
Mannerheim was a cavalry corps  
commander with thirty years Im-  
perial service behind him.

But it was an exhausted man in  
civilian clothes who limped into  
Helsinki when the first Provisional  
Government of the new State, just  
born of the Grand Duchy, was in  
session.

Mannerheim, who well received,  
but his utterances sounded mono-  
tonous.

"We must get the Bolshevik army  
out of Finland," he kept repeating,  
"and we must never let the Germans  
in."

So they told him to get on with  
the first job, and Mannerheim  
turned his back once more on the  
granite capital.

That was in the late autumn of  
1917, when Finland's day is but a  
few hours and her darkness has  
something of the terror of an eternal  
night.

Mannerheim had to work in secret.

for Finland was thick with soldiers—  
and spies.

So he moved through the land, and  
behind him there formed a peasant  
army, an army armed with scythes,  
axes, knives and, here and there, an  
old rifle.

When Mannerheim reckoned the  
moment had come to strike he could  
number 12,000 followers. He had  
nothing to offer them save what  
Garibaldi offered those who followed  
him to the liberation of Italy—  
wounds, hunger and death.

It was then that Mannerheim  
revealed himself as the type of  
soldier who forgets the textbooks  
and turns to the logic of events and  
the facts before him.

He faced, in all, 80,000 Russian  
troops. And they were well-armed  
and seasoned men.

In five months he drove the last  
of them out of the northern land,  
achieving this epic military feat by  
taking them post by post, annexing  
their arms, their equipment, adding  
it to his own.

But when Mannerheim returned  
victorious to Helsinki it was to  
find a Provisional Government de-  
manding German assistance to drive  
the Russians from the new capital.

He glowered on them and reminded  
them of his first warnings. They de-  
clined to listen, sent for Von der  
Goltz. The German general came.  
But Mannerheim went—to Stock-  
holm.

Finland would have need of him,  
again, he said. He was content to  
wait.

He returned in 1919, when Finland  
had to seek recognition of her new  
status from the world; when, too, her  
people were starving.

With Mannerheim came foodships.  
—the food-ships which saved the  
country.

In that year Mannerheim became  
first President of the Republic. Since  
then he has remained her Strong  
Man.

Although seventy-three, he has the  
bearing of a man in the fifties. His  
hair remains plentiful and iron grey,  
his eyes, of the light, hard blue of  
northern skies, are clear and steady.

And in spite of the fact that Man-  
nerheim's methods, when he last  
drove the Russians out of Finland,  
earned him the title of the "bloody  
executioner," Finland sees in him a  
peer of Garibaldi and Simon Bolivar,  
and is consolidated under her strong  
man.

She is well content to do so.



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NEWS PAGETung Wah  
HospitalCommittees Received At  
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His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, yesterday addressed the old and new committees of the Tung Wah Hospital at the annual reception at Government House, after a statement of policy in Chinese by Mr. Lee Iu-cheung, Chairman of the new Committee, Mr. Chiu Shiu-ang, Chairman of the old Committee, also spoke.

"This year," said Sir Geoffrey, "marks the 70th anniversary of the incorporation of the Tung Wah Hospital. On March 30, 1870, an ordinance was passed for the establishment of a Chinese Hospital for the care and treatment of the indigent sick to be supported by voluntary contributions; and it is recorded in the preamble of the day contributed a piece of Crown Land as a site and a donation of \$15,000 for its erection and maintenance. Last year the cost of maintaining the three hospitals belonging to the Corporation amounted to between \$700,000 and \$800,000, excluding expenditure on the maintenance of free schools and the repatriation of destitute refugees and others, services to the community which have been performed by successive committees for many years.

Of this large sum rather less than half has been derived from income from investments and from voluntary subscriptions and Government has recognized that it is incumbent upon it to increase the grant-in-aid very largely in these circumstances.

**Met By Taxpayer**  
You are all familiar with the circumstances which led to this situation, and I need not go into them now. The result of Government taking so much greater a share in these social services has required the taxpayer to foot a much larger bill, and consequently it is the more important that he should have information regarding the manner in which his contribution is to be expended and an assurance that his interests are being safeguarded. The changes introduced during the past three years have been instituted.

It has proved no easy task to overhaul and recast a system that has worked and worked well for nearly seventy years. Such an undertaking is never popular and Mr. Chiu and his colleagues deserve much credit for their willingness to accept the responsibility in the face of very serious problems. The debt of gratitude owed to them by the community is the greater because they have carried their burden for twice the normal time, that is to say for two years instead of one and very difficult years at that. I should like, in particular, to express my appreciation of the very valuable work done by Mr. Chiu personally in reorganizing and bringing up to date the system of accounting in the hospitals and in preparing statistics of all kinds. Certain outstanding questions still remain to be settled, but I have every hope that now that agreement has been reached on general principles, Mr. Lee and his colleagues will be able to find a solution to these problems.

**Government Grant**  
One thing I wish to make clear at this juncture. It is, I think, inevitable that the Government grant to the Tung Wah Corporation will in future remain at a high figure and there are certain conditions which must attach to such a grant. These conditions govern all Government expenditure and cannot be foregone. In the first place, there must be definite figures before the Legislative Council when the Government's estimates are being drawn up showing clearly how the proposed grant for the next year is to be expended; secondly, the Tung Wah Directors must realize that they may not over-expend that grant without bringing a liability upon the Tung Wah Corporation; and, thirdly, the expenditure of the grant must be subject to the same financial and audit control as all other Government votes have to undergo.

These conditions are in no way onerous and I can assure you gentlemen that close and conscientious observance of them will bring in its train harmonious and tranquil administration of this great corporation's responsibilities.

I cannot close without a tribute to the invaluable assistance of Sir Robert Kotewall and the other members of the Advisory Board, in particular the Hon. Mr. K. Lo, Mr. T. N. Chau and the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, who have served on the Committee. Membership of the Medical Committee is no sinecure and I am most grateful to these gentlemen for their willingness to add this to their many public activities.

I have followed with much interest Mr. Lee's statement of policy. I observe gladly the new Committee's enthusiasm and I wish them all success in their undertakings.

NORWEGIAN SHIP  
SEIZED BY NAZIS

COPENHAGEN, Mar. 14 (UP).—The "Esktrabladet" Bergen correspondent reports that the Norwegian steamer "Baldur," enroute from Drammen to Bergen, has been seized by a German warship and taken into Westerland.

Shanghai Appeal  
For Reprieve

SHANGHAI, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Many signatures of English and American residents of Shanghai were obtained for a petition to Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, asking that he commute the death penalty to life imprisonment for Private David Eckford, of the Seaforth Highlanders, who was sentenced to hang for the murder of Lance Corporal James Davies, also of the Seaforth.

Weddings  
Announced

The following forthcoming weddings are announced:  
Mr. Arthur Stanley Powles, wireless operator, and Miss Olga Lyons, of 20 Jordan Road; Dr. Lu Kwan-chuan, surgeon, and Miss Tsoo Ching-hua, nurse, 1 King's Terrace; Mr. Xung Yook-gei, accountant, and Miss Chun Pui-long, 378 Prince Edward Road; Mr. Xung Yung, merchant, and Miss Lai Sau-chun, 308 Portland Street; Mr. Mo Sik-hong, and Miss Lee Wai-ling, teacher, 42 Leichikok Road.

NAZI-FINNISH  
TRADE ACCORD

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BERLIN, Mar. 14 (UP).—It is announced that the German and Finnish Committees signed an accord in Berlin last Wednesday against putting into effect the German-Finnish financial agreement in connection with the trade treaty which was renewed on December 30, 1939.

A further exchange of goods, as well as clearing arrangements, was also discussed.

Defence Parleys  
In Capetown

CAPE TOWN, Mar. 14 (UP).—It is announced here that the Commander in Chief of the British Forces in the Near East, Sir Archibald Wavell, is flying to Capetown for a defence conference with South African officials.

**To Meet General Smuts**  
CAPE TOWN, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander in Chief of the British troops in the Middle East, will meet General Jan Smuts, the South African Premier, and South African military leaders at Cape Town this week.

He is travelling by air and has already conferred with the military leaders of Kenya and Rhodesia.

New Premises For  
Famed Newspaper

LUCKNOW, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—One of India's oldest newspapers, the "Pioneer," moved into a new building here yesterday. The premises were opened by the Governor of the United Provinces.

Mr. Winston Churchill sent a congratulatory message as an old war correspondent of the paper. Other notable contributors to the paper have included the late Rudyard Kipling.

ITALY SHORT OF  
SCRAP-IRON

ROME, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—All iron railings, gates and even railings round the Bank of Italy, the Stock Exchange and the old Roman forums are being removed for scrap-iron.

NAZIS ASKED TO  
SAVE METALS

BERLIN, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Field-Marshal Hermann Goering has appealed for a nation-wide collection on April 20—Hitler's birthday—of metals, especially copper, bronze, brass and tin, for defence of the Fatherland.

Lots Of Nazi Coal  
For Italy

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The Berlin wireless states that about 1,500 wagons of German coal will be sent daily to Italy under the trade protocol signed in Rome on Wednesday.

Foreign Planes  
Over Denmark

ESBJERG, Mar. 14 (UP).—The foreign planes flew over Esbjerg today. Danish anti-aircraft guns were brought into action.

## LOCAL ACTIVITY

PARIS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Today's communal activity of advanced parties, especially west of the Vosges.

## Welles In Paris

PARIS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Mr. Sumner Welles has arrived here enroute to Italy.

He had a half-hour talk with M. Daladier, to whom he handed a message from President Roosevelt.

Council Approves  
H.K. War Gifts

Hongkong's contributions towards the prosecution of the war with Germany, in the form of the expenditure of \$5,000,000 on the construction of vessels to be presented to the Admiralty and War Department, and a gift of \$100,000 to His Majesty's Government, were approved at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council.

A Bill to impose war taxes to meet this expenditure was read a second time, the Financial Secretary stating that approximately \$5,000,000 was expected to be realised by this means \$1,000,000 from the Salaries Tax, \$3,000,000 from the Corporation and Business Profits Taxes together, and \$2,000,000 from the Property Tax.

The Financial Secretary added that though the Bill was a Government measure based on the recommendations of the War Revenue Committee, Government was of the opinion that the scheme would not be as equitable or as efficient a means of raising revenue as would be an income-tax measure.

While fully in favour of the scheme, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo emphasised the importance of keeping the rates of charge low so as not to discourage the inflow of capital to, or its maintenance in, Hongkong, while the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan expressed the fervent hope that all sections of the community would unite in a firm resolution of purpose and of unswerving loyalty to the successful prosecution of the war.

Referring to the expenditure of \$5,000,000 on the construction of vessels in Hongkong, the Financial Secretary said Government's intentions were to build two minesweepers and four harbour defence craft for the Royal Navy and two ferry tenders for the Army.

His Excellency the Governor assured members that the gifts would be received with very grateful appreciation by His Majesty's Government.

BOY SCOUT MOVEMENT  
GROWS IN COLONY

The topping of the thousand mark in numbers in the membership of the Scout Movement in Hongkong for the first time in its history was celebrated by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, who presided at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Boys' Scouts Association at Sandilands Hut yesterday.

The Governor was supported by Rev. Mr. N. V. Halward, Colony Commissioner, Mr. E. C. Pockson, Major C. Champkin, Deputy Commissioner, and Mr. D. A. Pockson, Honorary Secretary.

Mr. Halward arrived at the meeting just as it commenced, having come straight from the steamer which brought him from Australia. The adoption of the annual report, balance sheet and accounts was presided over by Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, seconded by Mr. M. A. Peters and carried unanimously.

Proposing the election of Mr. C. G. Solis as President Mr. Cock said: "I do not think the year should be allowed to close without a reference of thanks, however inadequately I make it, to some of the many who have as usual devoted their time to the Scout Movement in Hongkong."

First the Commissioner standing half in China and half here, absent or present has inspired the others.

Next and Ladies first, Mrs. Booker the Assistant Colony Commissioner for Wolf Cubs and with but after her, Mr. Pockson Assistant Commissioner and Indefatigable Honorary Secretary. (Applause).

The two District Commissioners, Mr. Quah Cheow Chong for Hongkong, and Mr. Chan Fook Hong for Kowloon, and Mr. Chan Fook Hong played great parts in the expansion of the movement. We thank all of them as well as those working with them.

To-day, more than I can ever call to mind, the accent is on Youth and the Youth of to-day is united toward by Guns or Butter. Scouting have chosen the gentler though no less manly way to train Youth for Citizenship.

So, when one whose profession is charged with one side of the training of children is prepared to give some of his spare time to our side, I feel that we can be assured of the result. I therefore with confidence propose that Mr. Solis, Director of Education, be elected President of the Boy Scouts Association of Hongkong. (Applause).

**Steady Progress**  
Seconding the proposal, Mr. Halward apologized for arriving a few minutes late. He expressed the thanks of the Association to Mr. Cock for his untiring zeal, help and advice which he had always given while President of the Association. (Applause).

"The year," he continued, "has been marked by steady progress in every way due mainly to the zeal and efficiency of district officers combined with devoted service, all voluntarily given, of Scouts. All through the year, A.R.P. work has been to the fore and the Association is now able to supply a Despatch Corps fully trained and ready to meet any demands made upon it should there be any need."

"For the last three years, it has been very difficult for me to feel that I have been pulling my weight to any extent owing to my frequent visits to Hongkong. It is, therefore, only right that I should acknowledge with gratitude the big part that the Association and myself have played in the year. I feel personally owe to Mr. Pockson as Hon. Secretary and Assistant Commissioner for Wolf Cubs and all others who have so loyally carried on this wonderful work of training boys in the scouting ideal."

"Mrs. Booker, in addition to her duties as Assistant Commissioner for Wolf Cubs, has carried on for some months the work of Badge Secretary and Convenor of the Proficiency Badge Test Committee. I must

Big Nazi Push  
Said Coming

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—With the end of the Finnish war, it is believed here that Hitler means to force a military decision on the Western Front before the end of the year. It is reported that preparations for a big offensive have been going on throughout the winter all over the Reich.

It became known this week that the German Army and "Vital" industries were virtually commandeered the railways for the next two months. It is thought that this may very well portend transport of masses of men and material to the areas decided on for attack. Military hospitals are being feverishly erected.

DESTITUTE  
SCHOLARSAppeal For Assistance  
By Judge Tseng Yu-hao

A proposal that Chinese dignitaries in the Colony get together with a view to relieving the many Chinese intellectuals who are now living as quasi-destitutes in Hongkong has been put forward by Judge Tseng Yu-hao, founder of South China College, in Kowloon.

In a scheme he has drawn up he states that certain responsible element of the Central Government some time ago sent him instructions insisting that those "technicians left behind" should be registered and encouraged to go to the interior.

While many answered the call, a great number remained, many of whom were masters in their respective fields even when in England, France and America. Many are now financially in bad shape, he says, and are wasting the best part of their lives looking for their next meal. Several had told him that they are going to Refugee Camps.

"There is no greater human squandering than letting them down to starvation. Reversely, if they may properly be utilized, they contribute greatly to the welfare not only of Hongkong, but also of the Far East and of other regions of the globe," says Judge Tseng. "Among them are trained authors, lawyers, historians, geologists, physicians, engineers and philosophers: many won the highest honours and prizes in Occidental institutions of higher scholarship."

"The present Chinese intelligentsia here may, if well fed, comfortably and leisurely lodged, do more than the mere interpretation and compilation of books and periodicals; they can make inventories, unmask secrets of Nature, or become captains of industry and commerce in this machine age. Hongkong may thereby be the centre of renaissance and a port of discoveries and manufactures alike."

"I therefore propose that prominent Chinese here form a special committee in order to find ways and means in aiding those cultural people in need, thereby helping the world in deed."

Anyone interested in the realisation of this plan is invited to communicate with Judge Tseng at 12 Peace Avenue, Hamunlin, Kowloon.

## Governor's Speech

Addressing the meeting, His Excellency said:

"The report on your Association's work in 1939 which I have had the pleasure of studying is one of which every Member, from the Commissioner down to the youngest Cub, may justly be proud."

The year has been far from easy for Scouting purposes. In the first place training has been seriously impeded by the embarrassments imposed by the Sino-Japanese War and latterly Great Britain becoming herself involved in war has led to further difficulties. In these circumstances it is greatly to the credit of the Association that there has been an increase in troops by 13, from 228 in 1938 to 241 in 1939. The effect of that fine growth has been that for the first time in its history the Association has topped the thousand mark and I very warmly congratulate all those to whom hard work and devotion to achievement is due."

It is indeed, peculiarly suitable, at a time in our history when our duties to our King and to our fellow-citizens make so great a demand on all British subjects, that the Scouts, whose Promise pledges them to those duties, should have thus risen in number. The fact is, I hope an indication that there is a keener spirit of service abroad among the people, evoked by the dangers which threaten the Empire, including this Colony of ours. I feel confident that were the call to come we should have invaluable help from our Scouts."

Financially speaking it is happily noteworthy that in contrast to 1938 the income of the Association for the year 1939 has exceeded its expenditure, though the latter was greater than in the preceding period. It is praiseworthy that that result was due principally to the efforts of the Association itself, which raised nearly \$1,200 by means of a dinner and a raffle. The total income for 1939 was \$1,045 in 1938 to \$480 in 1939. I hope sincerely that at the next Annual General Meeting it will be possible to report an improvement in this respect on the part of the many friends of the Scouts."

It was with great gratification that I witnessed the well-attended Rally of Scouts last December; it was the first for several years and the turnout did immense credit to the Hong-

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# "Captain Foster's" Racing Review

## ST. PATRICK'S MEETING AT FANLING ON SUNDAY

### Big Cash Sweep Starts Second Leg

A special dollar cash sweep is being conducted on the Kwanti Cup, a flat race for Australian ponies over six furlongs, limiting the sale to 50,000 tickets and all have been sold out. So popular was the demand that the Race Club has started a "B" series not to exceed 50,000 chances, and it may interest one to know that at time of writing the sale has crossed the 15,000 mark.

### HURDLES RACE FOR GOVERNOR'S TROPHY

#### Keen Competition For March Brown

THERE WAS a tight finish between March Brown and Jack O'Lantern in the Lo Wu Hurdle race over the champion course run on January 21, the former being nicely handled by Mr. Eather. The latter was first pony to be over the last hurdle, but in the home run of one hundred and fifty yards Jack O'Lantern appeared to be all out and he lost by half length.

Both hurdlers have been entered for the Governor's Cup, which is over the same distance, and the inclusion of Double Chance will no doubt add a certain amount of interest to the pari-mutuel department.

I have just finished discussing the form of March Brown and Jack O'Lantern, but I cannot place much confidence in Double Chance as a hurdler. I know he has won the Governor's Cup in 1938, but I prefer March Brown for his honesty over the bamboo sticks.

### KWANTI CUP SWEEPSTAKES

#### Six Furlongs Handicap For Australians

THE KWANTI CUP, a handicap for Australian ponies over six furlongs, should provide the racing public with a good line for future meetings at Happy Valley.

It will be the first occasion that the weight controller has been called upon to frame a handicap between the "C" class and those ponies that ran at the big meeting under the head of subscription griffins of this season.

The youngsters are Brown Derby, Lovely Kid, Perola d'Oriente and Quick Despatch, the best in my opinion being Perola d'Oriente. She was always out in the early mornings

## Grand National Steeplechases For Australian And China Ponies

EVERYBODY KNOWS that March 17 is set aside to celebrate the feast of the patron saint of Ireland, but I have not been able to ascertain the reason why the last Gymkhana of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club to be held on Sunday should be called St. Patrick's Day Meeting. History tells us that St. Patrick grew up as a slave-boy on the Irish hills, but there is no mention that he was an ardent follower of the sport of kings.

However, very good nominations have been received for all the contests, there being no less than 19 "E" class China ponies for the Dublin Handicap (a flat event over five furlongs), and as a result it was necessary to divide the entries into two sections.

Although it will not be anything like the Dublin Horse Show, the trip to Kwanti Racecourse by car or train is worth making, for a fine programme of seven interesting events will be presented to racing fans.

For the convenience of racing public there will be a special train leaving Kowloon at 1.08 p.m. and returning from Fanling at 4.41 p.m. The first class return fare of \$2 includes admission to the Racecourse. \$1 is charged for admission to the Public Enclosure and Servicemen in uniform are admitted half price.

First saddling bell will be chimed at 2.15 p.m., but attention of owners and/or jockeys is drawn to the fact that starters must be declared on the forms provided in the Weighing Room before the ringing of the first saddling bell, and for all subsequent races 45 minutes before the scheduled starting time.

#### THE GOVERNOR'S CUP

A PART from the Grand National Steeplechases (one confined to Australian ponies and the other to Chinese steeds), the Governor's Cup, kindly presented by His Excellency the Governor, a hurdle event for China ponies, will undoubtedly be the race of the afternoon.

Brutus belonging to the Irish owner, Mr. G. Trevelton, will have to be at tip-top form if he intends to duplicate his success of last year when he annexed the Fanling Blue Riband without any trouble. One of the strongest contenders is Sea Urchin owned by that popular Scotch owner, Mr. S. T. Williamson, and we may look forward to a good fight.

together with Ascot Day, who had three seconds at the Annual Carnival, but Perola d'Oriente was never among the first three placed ponies.

Of the "C" company I like Macquarie River, but Dick Turpin gave him a hiding at the country course on Boxing Day in the Hobart Handicap. There is no flaw in the judgment of the lead, but I honestly believe that Macquarie River has grown in substance, and I therefore tip him to win. Tarzan is recommended for a long shot.



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TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN

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TO THE DUKE OF YORK

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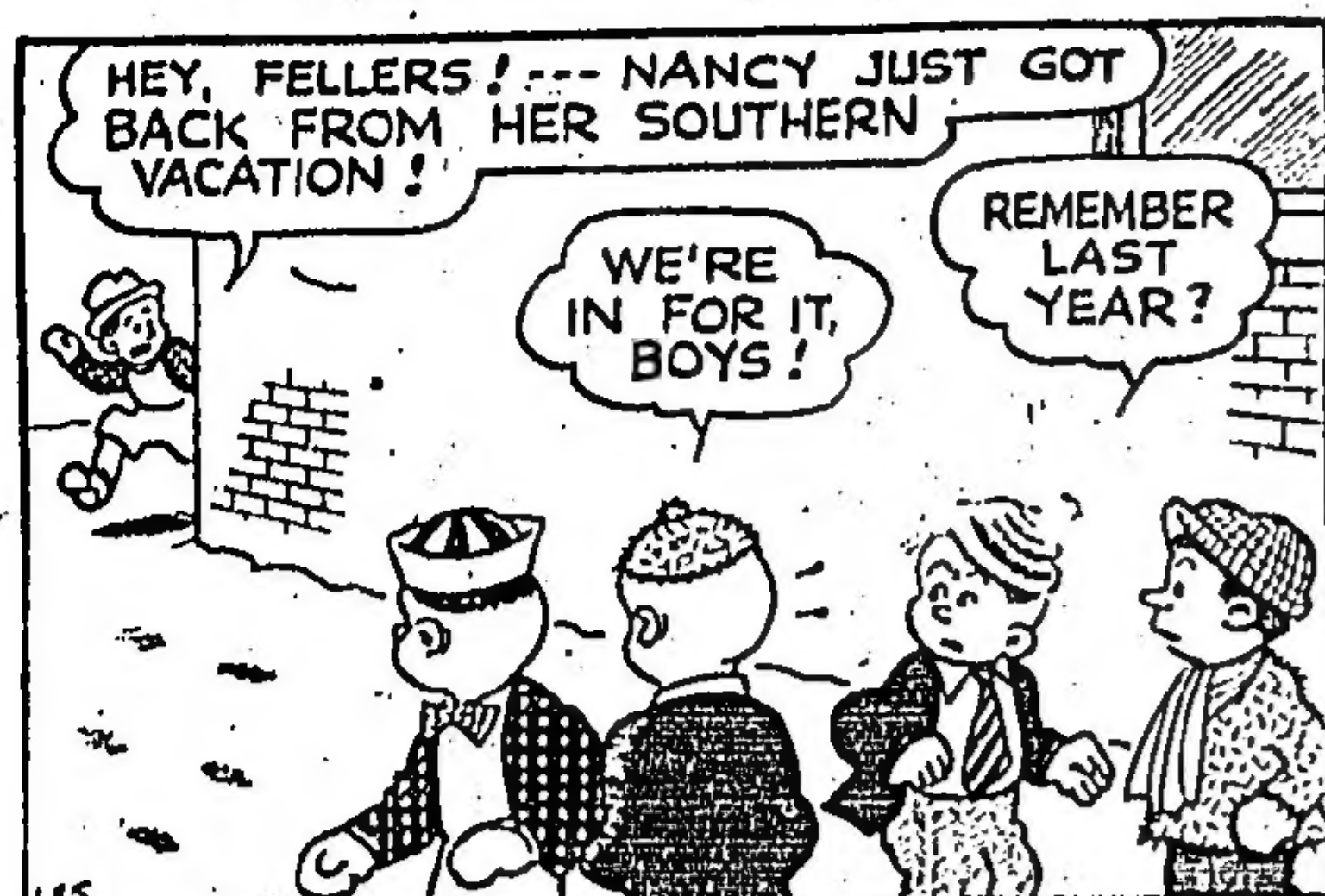
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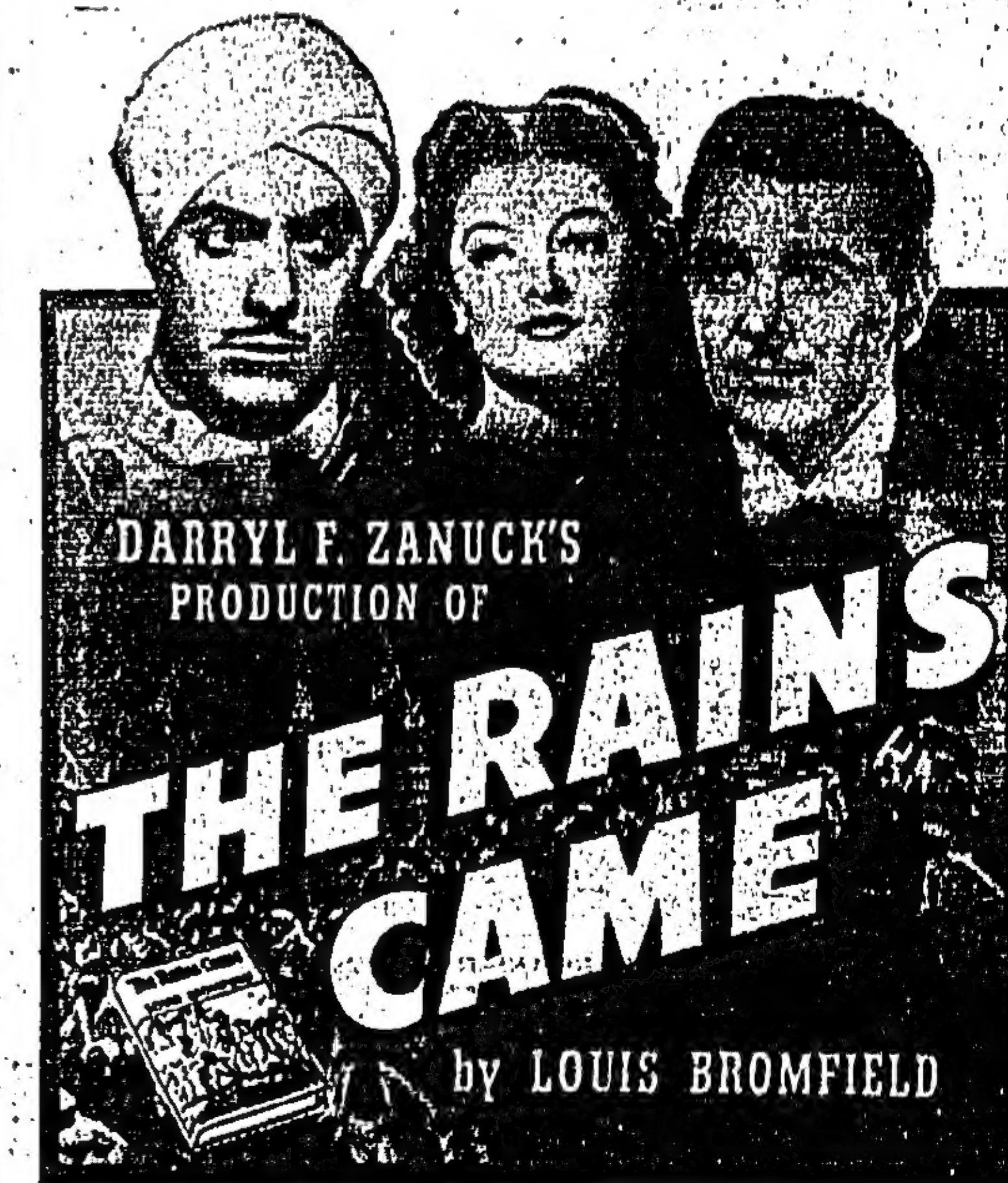
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## THRILLING BADMINTON

### Yong Enters Semi-Finals Of Men's Open Singles Championship

(By "Tinker")

AFTER ONE of the hardest, most thrilling, and most skilful badminton matches played this season, K. L. Yong entered the semi-finals of the Colony men's singles championship at King's College last night, when he defeated C. F. Chew 8-15, 18-16, 17-15. I don't think the superlatives of a motion picture publicity man could do justice to the match, nor could they describe the thrills that closing stages of the tense duel gave to the many spectators.

These latter may have been disappointed when P. S. Bun gave a walk-over to H. Eardley, but they had little to complain about. Their evening was not wasted.

So strenuous was their match that after two games they were so played out that they could not immediately continue with the third, and the mixed doubles match, in which M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva easily beat T. T. Chin and Miss M. Ding 15-3, 15-6, was played to afford them

a rest. It was a mutual arrangement, though contrary to the rules of badminton.

C. F. Chew was, by narrow margin, the better player, but he had not the stamina of his opponent. His repertoire of shots, however, was more complete than any I have seen in the Colony. The rallies of the closing minutes of the third game were, in perfection, like a motion picture. Adroitly placed and cunningly concealed short drop shots from the baseline, heavy and accurate smashes from all angles, and

masterly delicate shots when at the net blended into perfect entertainment for the spectators.

#### TWO HARD GAMES

IN THE second game, Yong secured a hard fought lead at 13-11, and eventually settled at 13-all. Chew led 1-0, but Yong regained service and then jumped to a 3-1 lead. Chew smashed his way to 2-3, and then after service had changed hands several times, drew up to 3-all. Brilliant angled shots gave Yong the two necessary points for the set.

The third game, after the long interval, opened with Chew going into a 7-0 lead. Yong, however, drew up to 9-10, and went on to lead at 13-10. From 13-10 Yong went up to 14-12 before there began that series of duels which gave such excitement. Chew threw everything he knew into the game, and slowly and amid a tense atmosphere drew up to 14-all.

They settled, and Chew took the first point. It was the end of his magnificent rally, however, for he was a very spent player who endeavored to stave off defeat through those last three points. Yong took them in a row. The shuttle for the last point fell short on the left of the court, but Chew, mid-court and on the right, made no effort for it. The remaining match last night was played at Falkoo. P. H. Wong and Miss W. Cheung beat J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 15-12, 15-3.

## CURRENCY PROBLEM

### Japan May Have To Adopt Barter System

TOKYO, Mar. 14 (UP).—Local bankers to-day indicated that radical changes in Japanese trade practices may become necessary owing to the Yen rising rapidly in relation to the Pound Sterling as a result of the fall in the value of British currency on the New York market.

The Yen is quoted at 1/24 having advanced 12 points, or 3 pence, since yesterday. Bankers pointed out that the rise of Yen in relation to Pound Sterling would have an adverse effect on Japanese trade with Pound bloc countries, which, until now, had shown a balance favourable to Japan.

**Deterioration Fears**  
They said that while United States Dollars can still be purchased with Pounds on the New York market by the Japanese Exchange Banks, any further deterioration of the Pound will result in more strict British exchange control measures which could easily make the Pound-Dollar rate nominal because of the absence of business. This would compel the Japanese Exchange Banks to adopt a new basis for computing relative values between the Yen and Pound. This value is at present based on the London-New York cross rate, the Yen having been linked with the United States Dollar since October 24, 1939.

They said that further tightening of British exchange control measures may lead to the prohibition of payments, thereby isolating the Pound within the British Empire. In such a contingency, Japan's trade with Pound bloc countries would be conducted by barter banks.

## U.S. STEAMSHIP COYS. INDICTED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BROOKLYN, Mar. 14 (UP).—The Maritime Commission has opened the hearing to determine whether the seven steamship lines, who are members of the Japan-Atlantic Coast Freight Conference, have violated the rate and transportation agreements, and filed misstatements. Seven members of the trans-Pacific Freight Conference of Japan will be heard later.

The violations alleged include shipping part wool goods as cotton and imitation pearls as glass.

## Frenzied Welcome For Gandhi

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
RANGARH, Mar. 14 (UP).—Garbed in a simple loin cloth, Mr. Gandhi arrived by third class and was greeted by the retiring President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad. The committee included the Indian nightingales, poetess Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, well known in the United States.

Mr. Gandhi was cheered deliciously by thousands as he left by motor car for Congress headquarters.

## HEAVY SNOWFALL IN HOLLAND

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Snow has prevented the resumption of air services between Berlin and Amsterdam.

Nine inches of snow have fallen in some parts of Holland.

Owing to traffic dislocation, few members reached Parliament to-day and no quorum could be formed. The sitting was postponed.

## Polish Air Force Nearly Ready

PARIS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—General Sikorski, the Polish Prime Minister, announced to-day that the first Polish Air Squadron would soon join the French Air Force at the front.

Soon afterwards he said that Polish infantry units would follow.

## New Promise To Czechs

### Restoration Of Freedom Pledged By Halifax

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—A message from Lord Halifax to the Czechs, broadcast in the Czech news to-day, recalls that on March 15 year will have passed since Hitler occupied Prague, thereby "destroying all faith in the pledged word of himself and his Government."

**Allies' High Purpose**  
This act was less brutal than the rule of terror which followed, but all attempts had failed to devour the economic and spiritual life of the Czech people.

The message concludes: "It is with a firm resolve to restore your freedom that the governments and peoples of the British Empire have taken up arms with the Allies. Their high purpose is to right the wrongs you have suffered and to create a new Europe in which the recurrence of such an event would be made impossible."

## Tinned Fruits Import Ban

### Safeguard Measure

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Tinned and all bottled fruits have been added to the list of goods which may not be imported into Great Britain except under licence.

It is stated that there are very large stocks in the country, and imports have greatly increased since the war, largely from the United States.

It has, therefore, become necessary to control imports in order to conserve exchange.

It will also have the effect of saving tonnage and preventing the accumulation of unnecessarily large stocks.

## TURKISH PRESS BACKS ALLIES

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Referring to the revelation of the device rendering magnetic mines harmless, the Turkish paper, "Cumhuriyet," observes: "Germany has obviously overlooked the fact that Britain is her equal in the scientific field."

"The 'Yeni Sabah' says: 'As long as the type of mentality which led Germany to attack Poland and Russia to attack Finland is not exterminated, there is no security for the small or even the great Powers. This is the reason why all right-thinking people are praying for a victory for the Allies who are struggling to stamp it out. The Allies fully recognise and uphold the rights of humanity.'"

## STOCK EXCHANGE THWARTS NAZIS

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—According to the "Financial Times," steps have been taken to put an end to the machinery of the British Stock Exchange being used for the disposal of securities, principally bearer bonds, on behalf of enemy interests.

Germany acquired large quantities of securities by the seizure of Poland and Czechoslovakia, and there is evidence that a considerable amount of them are disposed of in Britain through neutral channels.

Yesterday the Stock Exchange Committee issued a strongly-worded warning to members to be on guard against attempts at such disposals and reminded them of the penalties.

## Canadian Soldiers Go To The Poll

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Canadian soldiers in Britain started to register their votes yesterday.

The polling will continue until Saturday week.

Mr. Anthony Eden visited the Canadian troops at Aldershot yesterday.

When some of them told him they were getting impatient he replied that all things come to those who wait.



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## Love Calls 2,000 Miles

A NAVAL OFFICER wrote home to Joyce Knott, a beauty specialist of Weymouth, saying: "Come out here. I am lonely. Joiner set off on a 2,000-mile journey across France and Italy. If all goes well she is marrying."

## LATE NEWS

## Stock Exchange Warning

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The following notice was posted up by the London Stock Exchange Committee to-day:

"There is reason to believe that German interests are making strenuous efforts to sell securities in London. Stock Exchange members are advised to use the utmost care before accepting orders coming from neutral sources."

## SHE ESCAPED TWO DISASTERS

SIGNORA IRENE FORERO, one of the survivors of the Dutch steamer Simon Bolivar, mined on November 18 last year, went ashore at Genoa—saved from another sea disaster.

With her husband and small daughter she was on her way to Bogota in the Italian liner Orazio when it caught fire in the Mediterranean, on a recent Sunday.

She was among the 318 passengers and crew which the Italian rescue ship Conte Biancamano landed at Genoa.

From the blazing Orazio an officer had taken her child off in a lifeboat. In the confusion she lost her husband.

Soon after she reached land she found that they, too, were rescued.

They were landed at Genoa from the Colombo, which had rescued 173 people.

Figures issued that day by the Orazio's owners showed that 47 passengers and 60 members of the crew were still missing.

A French rescue ship took 47 survivors to Marseilles, and it was thought that others of the liner's 471 passengers and 231 crew had been taken to French ports.

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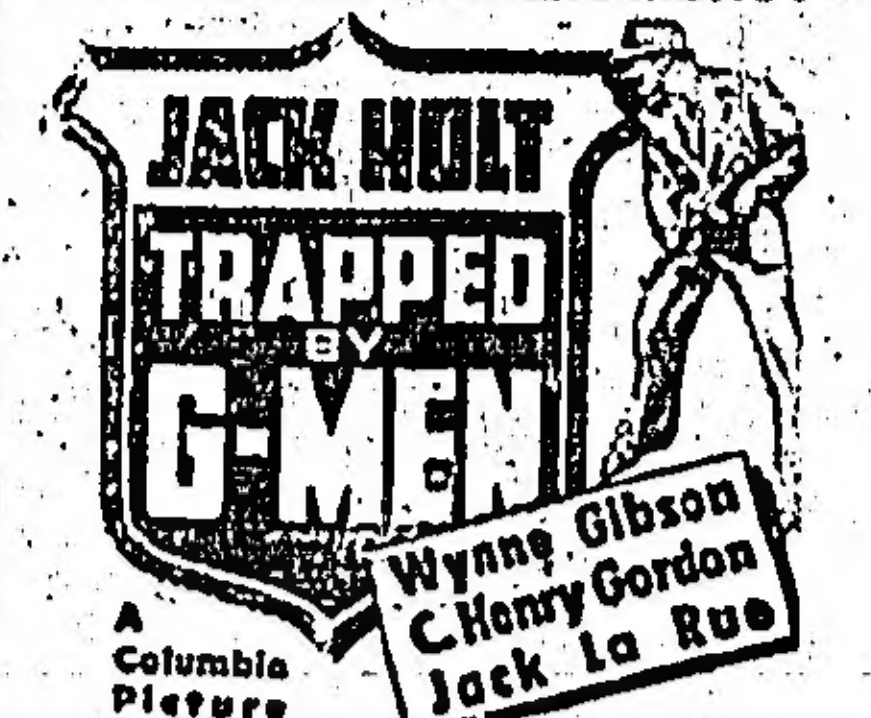
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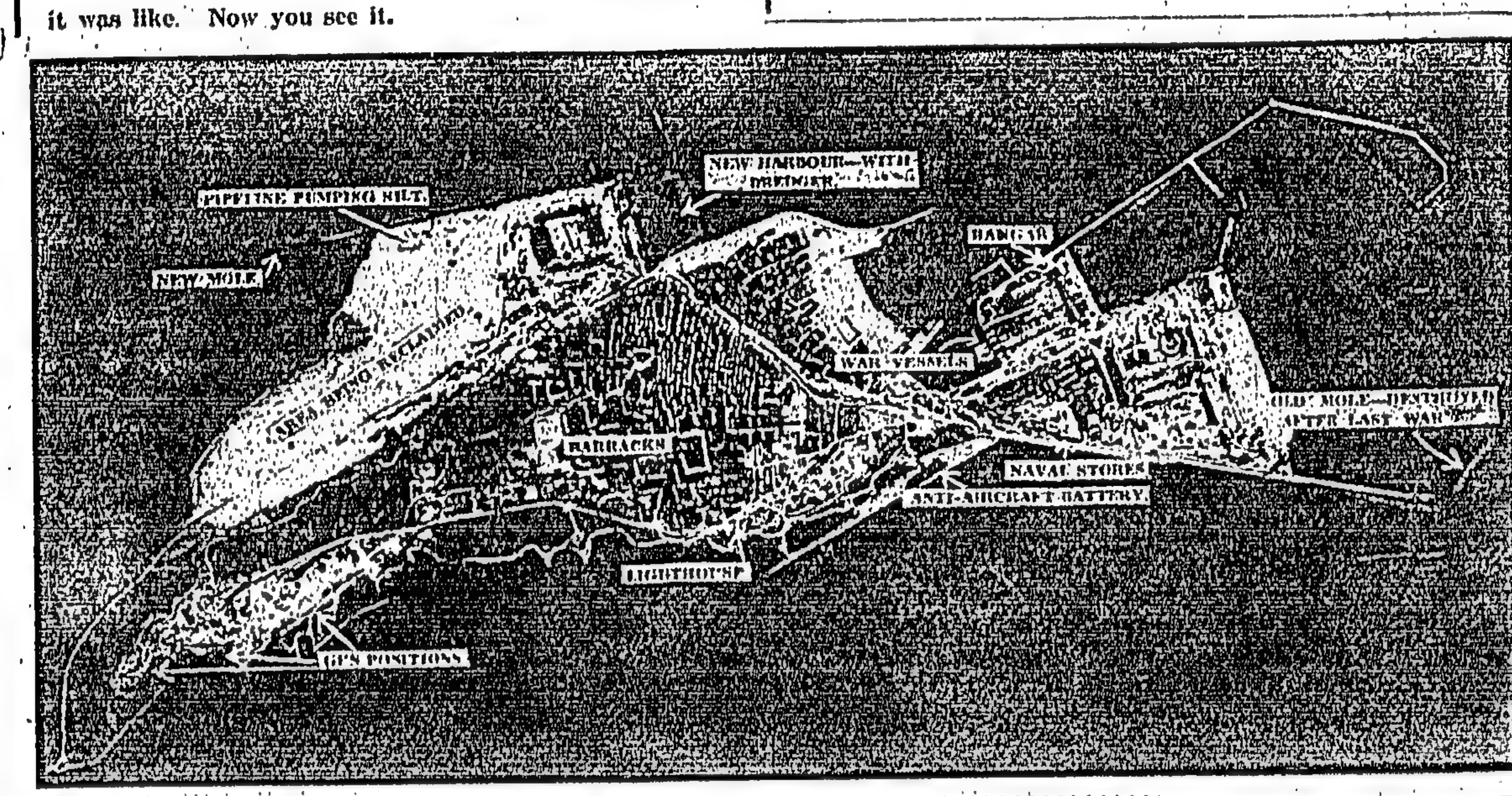
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## Japanese Reactions To Finnish Peace

### NEW SOVIET MENACE TO F. EAST FEARED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Mar. 15 (Domei).—The end of the Russo-Finnish War, Japanese newspapers fear, will be followed by a quickening of Russian interest in events in the Far East.

## FINLAND'S ECONOMIC LOSSES

### Concedes Important Export Avenues

HELSINGFORS, March 14, (Reuter).—Attempts are now being made to assess the economic aspects of Finland's new frontier.

One fifth of her exports went through Viborg and a further ten per cent through Hangoe.

The territory lost in Karelia includes many woodpulp factories and saw mills.

### Re-Settlement Problem

There is also the problem of re-settling Finns who do not want to stay in the territories ceded to Russia. Their number is estimated at about 400,000.

All available cars and lorries have been requisitioned to help in this work to resettle the people. The Finnish Aid Committee has called for hundreds of volunteers and relief workers.

Sweden will give £18,000,000 worth of loans and credits for the reconstruction work.

### Relief Schemes

The use of the money will be discussed within a week between the Swedish authorities and M. Cajander, the former Finnish Premier.

In a proclamation, the Finnish Government has announced its intention of launching relief schemes to rebuild shattered homes. This work, says the proclamation, will demand the utmost effort and sacrifice, but through the sacrifice of Finland's youth Finland has been able to keep what she values most—her freedom.

### Nazi-Finnish Trade Pact

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 15 (Domei).—Finland and Germany have signed a new Trade Agreement.

It is revealed that negotiations have been in progress for some time.

Nazi circles believe that the agreement is indicative of greater ties between Finland and the totalitarian states in the future.

## Lots Of Nazi Coal For Italy

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The Berlin wireless states that about 1,000 wagons of German coal will be sent daily to Italy under the trade protocol signed in Rome on Wednesday.

## Viborg Area To Become Republic

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (Domei).—It is reported here that the Soviet Government has decided to make a new People's Republic of the territory in southern Finland which has been ceded to Russia under the peace treaty.

Viborg will be its capital and the area will formally be incorporated into the U.S.S.R.

## Three Nordic States To Discuss New Treaty

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OSLO, Mar. 14 (UP).—The Foreign Office spokesman confirms that Norway has agreed to negotiate a defensive military alliance with Sweden and Finland.

M. Tanner, the Finnish Foreign Minister, has asked M. Koht, the Norwegian Foreign Minister, to negotiate. M. Koht immediately replied in the affirmative.

No definite place has yet been fixed but the negotiations will be held in the near future.

### Denmark To Stay Out

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—It is expected that Norway, Sweden and Finland will confer on a defensive alliance as soon as Finland withdraws her troops to the new frontiers and signs the final peace documents.

The alliance will be a defensive one only, so as not to break Finland's pledge not to engage in any bloc against Russia.

Denmark is not expected to have any part in the alliance.

### No Parleys Yet

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—There is no confirmation here of the reports that negotiations between Sweden, Norway and Finland for joint guarantee of their frontiers have actually begun. It was stated at the Swedish Foreign Office that so far as they are aware the Norwegian Government had promised to give the matter consideration.

### No Red Objections

MOSCOW, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—It is believed here that the Soviet Government has no objection to the conclusion of a purely defensive alliance between Sweden, Norway and Finland but any combination specifically directed against the Soviet Union would be regarded as inconsistent with the Soviet-Finnish peace treaty.

### So Near, Yet So Far

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Reuter's Lobby Correspondent learns

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## Turkey Will Wait & See

### Apprehensive Over The Future

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ISTANBUL, Mar. 15 (UP).—Turkey is adopting an attitude of "wait and see" regarding the new diplomatic blitzkrieg that is being waged in Europe following the end of the Finnish War.

Turkish newspapers give no intimation of apprehensions which have been expressed in official circles that the end of hostilities in the Baltic have increased the possibilities of war spreading to the Balkans and the Near East.

### One Hint Of War

The only indication that the country might be involved in war is found in the newspaper "Akham," in which it is pointed out that both the Mediterranean and Black Seas are within Turkey's "spheres of security."

"War in either of these regions," says the paper, "must mean that Turkey must act to protect her interests. At present we are employing all our forces to keep war away from these spheres of security."

"Preparations which we are now making do not signify that we are going to throw ourselves into an adventure."

## NAZIS PREPARING FOR DIPLOMATIC "BLITZKRIEG"?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, MARCH 14 (UP).—NAZI SOURCES REPORT THAT THERE ARE IMPROVED PROSPECTS OF A SOVIET-ITALIAN RAPPROCHEMENT.

A TRADE PACT AND THE RESUMPTION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WHICH WERE BROKEN OFF AT THE OUTSET OF THE RUSSO-FINNISH WAR ARE EXPECTED.

Meanwhile, Berlin's trade negotiations with Bucharest, Moscow and Rome improve the position against the British blockade.

It is understood that von Ribbentrop discussed the entire subject during his recent trip to Rome. He hurried from the railway station to report directly to Hitler on his return.

## New Foreign Policy For Northern States

### SWEDEN SUSPICIOUS OF SOVIET PLANS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (UP).—It is officially stated that Sweden is to ask Russia to explain her intentions regarding the proposals to build a railway between Kandalaksha and Kemijarvi in Finland.

Norway is also likely to request detailed information regarding the Russo-Finnish peace treaty concerning the free-passage through the Petsamo corridor of goods and materials to Norway.

In the meantime it is stated that a military and diplomatic conference will be summoned as soon as Finland has withdrawn her troops and settled on the frontiers to sign the final papers with Russia.

This conference, it is expected, will be held either at Oslo or Stockholm within a week.

While Denmark is not likely to participate in a military alliance, she will probably strengthen the economic framework of the northern states.

### New Policy

A Foreign Office spokesman told the "United Press" to-day:

"A revolution has taken place in Scandinavian foreign policy as a consequence of the Russo-Finnish war. This is indicated by our departure from 125 years of strict neutrality in order to start forming a military alliance among ourselves. A new era for the North has begun and our economic, trade and foreign affairs will now have to be worked out with a common policy."

According to a Moscow message, informed circles state that the proposed Scandinavian alliance is apparently consistent with the Soviet-Finnish peace pact so long as it is not specifically directed against Russia.

On the other hand, it is pointed out, Article Three of the peace pact enjoins any third-power alliances directed against one of the signatories, but it is believed that this excludes a purely defensive alliance.

### Leningrad Celebrates

The press does not mention the Scandinavian alliance, but plays up the fact that Leningrad was brilliantly lighted last night heralding the end of the black-outs.

Millions of people trocked in the streets throughout the night celebrating the Russian victory.

## Bucharest Sensation

### Rumania's Richest Man Sent To Prison

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Mar. 14 (UP).—A first-class sensation has been created in Rumania with the conviction of Max Ausnit, known as Rumania's richest man, for fraud.

Ausnit has been sentenced to six years' imprisonment, the loss of his citizenship for an additional four years, and a fine of 4,000 lei.

He has also been ordered to return the French bonds taken from the Reshina Company of which he was a director.

## Unemployed To Benefit

### Increased Allowances From Fund's Surplus

LONDON, Mar. 14 (UP).—Although they anticipated a deficit during 1939 of £8,250,000, the trustees of the Employment Insurance Fund report a surplus of £16,000,000, which they attributed mainly to the fact that re-armament activity had absorbed many unemployed.

From the accumulated balance of £57,000,000 the trustees propose to pay off a debt amounting to £27,000,000, thus annually saving £1,000,000.

This saving will be utilized to pay unemployed families an additional shilling a week on behalf of each of the first two children, whose total allowance will then be four shillings a week instead of three.

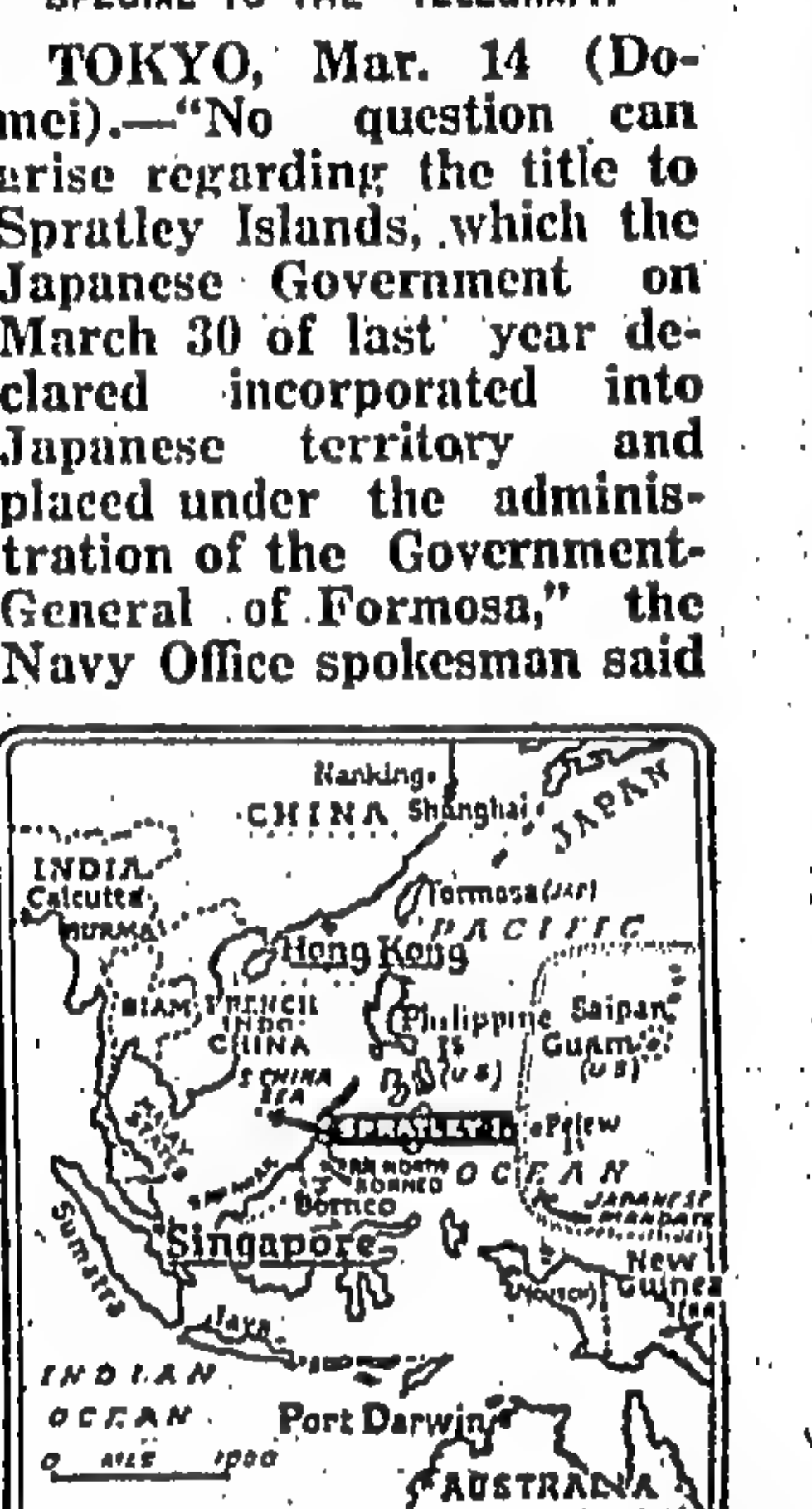
On the grounds that a post-war slump will require the fullest re-dump, the trustees have rejected the Trade Union request for a distribution of last year's surplus.

## Spratley Islands To Stay Japanese

### Japan's Warning Against Blockade Of Vladivostok

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Mar. 14 (Domei).—"No question can arise regarding the title to Spratley Islands, which the Japanese Government on March 30 of last year declared incorporated into Japanese territory and placed under the administration of the Government-General of Formosa," the Navy Office spokesman said.



to-day, when asked whether the question of Spratley Islands would be taken up in the projected Franco-Japanese talks.

The Yunnan Railway service is

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## Famous Monastery To Evacuate

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

RIGA, Mar. 15 (UP).—The famous Valams Monastery on a tiny island in Lake Ladoga, which now becomes part of pagan Russia, is to evacuate to Estonia.

The Estonian Greek Orthodox Church has invited the monks from the monastery to make their home at the Petre Monastery in Estonia.

The Valams Monastery is the Finnish headquarters of the Greek Orthodox Church.

Within its walls are numerous priceless religious relics and treasures which are already being moved to safety.



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Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London	1/2.25/32
Demand do.	1/2.25/32
T.T. Shanghai	350
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	95 1/2
T.T. India	82
T.T. U.S.A.	22 1/2
T.T. Manila	45
T.T. Batavia	41 1/4
T.T. Bangkok	150 1/2
T.T. Saigon	108
T.T. France	10.82
T.T. Switzerland	100
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/4

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London	1/3.3/32
4 m/s D/P do.	1/3.7/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	23 1/4
4 m/s France	11.37
30 d/s India	83 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.71 1/2

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks	1,500 s.
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.)	£ 91 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.)	£ 91 1/4 n.
Chartered	194 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	31 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C.	12 1/2 n.
East Asia	77 n.

INSURANCES

Canton	232 1/2 n.
Union	500 1/2 s.
China Underwriters	185 b.
H.K. Fire	185 b.

SHIPPING

Douglases	150 sa.
Steamships	10 1/4 n.
Indo-China P&O	100 n.
Indo-China D.S.	80 n.
Shel (Beners)	78/9 n.
Waterboats	7 1/2 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	105 1/2 b.
Docks	23 sa.
Providents	5.20 b. & sa.
Sh. Docks Sh.	37 1/4 n.

MINING

Kellan s/s	19/- n.
Reubs s. & d.	9.00 n.
Venz Gold	4 n.
H.K. Mines	4 cts. n.

LANDS

Hotels	5 1/2 s. & sa.
Land	37 b.
Land 4% Debentures	100 n.
Shal Lands Sh.	16 n.
Humphreys	74 n.
H.K. Realities	105 sa.
Chinese Estates	105 n.

UTILITIES

Trams	18 1/4 sa.
Peak Trams (old)	8 n.
Peak Trams (new)	4 n.
Star Ferries	67 n.
Y. Ferries	27 1/4 n.
China Lights (old)	8.20 b.
China Lights (new)	5.55 n.
H.K. Electric	67 1/2 n.
Macao Electric	22 n.
Sandakan Lights	11 1/4 n.
Telephones (old)	30 sa.
Telephones (new)	11 1/4 b.
Tractions s/s	20/0 n.
Tractions (Pref.) s/s	23/- n.

INDUSTRIALS

Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	Sh. \$14.90 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pref.)	Sh. \$12 n.
Canton Ices	5 n.
Cements	10.60 sa.
H.K. Ropes	5.80 n.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (old)	22 b.
Dairy Farms (new)	22 1/4 b.
Watsons	10 sa.
Lane, Crawford	100 n.
Sincere	7 1/2 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	41 n.
Powell, Ltd.	1 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. Sh.	42 n.
Shai Co. Sh.	170 n.
Zong Sh. Sh.	10 n.
Wing On Textiles	40 1/2 n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments	7.40 b.
Constructions (old)	1 n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	8 1/4 n.
Ch. Gov. 3%	8 1/4 n.
G. Bonds	81 1/4 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	101 sa.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	90 n.
Merrimans (Lon.) s/s	14/0 n.
Merrimans (H.K.) s/s	4/- n.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

1940-1941

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 19th March, 1940, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Pork, Fish, Cheese, Butter, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions and necessaries, for the year ending 31st March, 1941.

Printed Forms of Tenders and further particulars can be obtained at the Royal Naval Hospital. The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

G. V. HOBBS,

Surgeon Captain, Medical Officer in Charge, Royal Naval Hospital, Hong Kong, 13th March, 1940.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 2nd APRIL, 1940, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1940, to TUESDAY, the 2nd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS, Secretary and Manager, Hongkong, 11th March, 1940.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, No. 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, 26th March, 1940, at noon for the consideration of the Directors' Report and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to 26th March, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK, Chief Manager, Hongkong, 27th February, 1940.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Bringing Cargo from Marseilles via Saigon.

Consignees are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before 20th March, 1940, or they will not be recognised.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard and Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10 a.m. on Friday, 15th March, 1940.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent.

Lull In China Fighting

Nanning Area Is Under Water

CHUNGKING, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The present lull in the Sino-Japanese fighting in the Nanning area is likely to continue, according to a foreign military observer, who has just returned to Chungking from the South Kwangsi front.

One of the principal reasons, he says, is the rainy season. When he was north of Kunlunkwan, it had been raining for four days in succession. Even heavier rainfall was expected later.

Nazi Vessel Now A Prize Ship

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" KINGSTON, Jamaica, Mar. 14 (UP).—The German steamer Hanover, which its crew attempted to scuttle by setting the ship on fire, was brought into port to-day by a prize crew from a British warship.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 4th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st March to the 4th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. General Managers, The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 14th March, 1940.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday, 21st March, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1939, electing Directors and Auditors and fixing their fees.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 9th March to 21st March, 1940, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON, & CO., LTD. Agents, Hongkong, 22nd February, 1940.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 21st day of March, 1940, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Company shall have terminated, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolution as a special resolution:—

"That the Capital of the Company be increased from its present Capital of \$6,000,000 'Hong Kong currency divided into 600,000 shares of \$10 each' to \$18,000,000 Hong Kong currency divided into 1,800,000 shares of \$10 each and that such additional shares shall rank in all respects pari passu with the original Capital of the Company."

And for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following resolutions, namely:—

"1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 Hong Kong currency part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund and to allot to the Members holding shares of the Company 'as on the 1st day of July, 1940, in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share for every two shares of the Company then held by such persons respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1940.

"2. That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractional shares making up such share."

By order of the Board of Directors,

GIBB, LIVINGSTON, & CO., LTD. Agents, Hong Kong, 22nd February, 1940.

SPRATLEY ISLANDS TO STAY JAPANESE

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of March, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Repulse Bay, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	Rural Building Lot No. 456	Between South Bay Road and Island Road, Repulse Bay, North-east of Rural Building Lot No. 431	as per sale plan.	About 4,100	\$ 494
					\$ 10,750

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of March, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Blue Pool Road, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
2	Inland Lot No. 5747	Blue Pool Road.	As per sale plan.	About 84,500	\$ 1,552
					\$ 35,800

CHINA-BURMA CONFERENCE

To Remove Possible Border Trouble

CHUNGKING, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—To remove possible disputes between Chinese and Burmese in the districts on the border, it has been decided to hold a conference once a year in which the leaders of Chinese and Burmese tribes along the border will take part.

The first conference is taking place to-day. It will last ten days. It is being held at Jullu, Yunnan, on the Burmese border.

Following the conference, there will be athletic contests and other social events for promoting friendship between the Chinese and Burmese tribes.

NORWEGIAN SHIP SEIZED BY NAZIS

COPENHAGEN Mar. 14 (UP).—The "Elstrabladet's" Bergen correspondent reports that the Norwegian steamer Balder, enroute from Drammen to Bergen, has been seized by a German warship and taken into Westmunde.

Welles In Paris

PARIS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Mr. Sumner Welles has arrived here enroute to Italy.

He had a half-hour talk with M. Daladier, to whom he handed a message from President Roosevelt.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of March, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshulpo, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
3	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2770	Between the junction of the road at Shamshulpo and the road at Shamshulpo.	as per sale plan.	About 5,700	\$ 105
					\$ 1,120

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 18th day of March, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Castle Peak, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rent	Upset Price
4	Ing Shan Island Lot No. 4	D. D. 376, Castle Peak.	As per sale plan.	About 49,670	\$ 210
					\$ 2,254

STOCK EXCHANGE WARNING

LONDON, Mar. 14 (UP).—A Committee of the Stock Exchange caused a sensation to-day by posting the following notice warning members.

"There is reason to believe that enemy interests are making strenuous efforts to realize securities here; members must use the utmost care before executing orders coming from neutral sources."

THREE NORDIC STATES TO DISCUSS NEW TREATY

FROM PAGE ONE

that Finland's first requests to the Allies for assistance were for materials and not for men.

The Allies sent as much material as they felt they could safely spare. Later, there was an informal request for 30,000 men to be available in May.

The difficulty in the way of fulfilling this request was the refusal of Norway and Sweden to allow military formations to traverse their territory.

Despite this, however, preparations were made to enable troops to move directly to the Finnish appeal was received.

But it understands that if an expeditionary force had been sent it would have been fully equipped, including air strength.

Not Yet Ratified.

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The peace terms have not yet been ratified by the Finnish Parliament, but this is not considered significant as it may take a fortnight. Field Marshal Mannerheim's acceptance of the terms will be a powerful factor in persuading the nation also to accept it. His broadcast on Wednesday has made a deep impression.

To Examine Question

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—It is announced that it has now been agreed by the Finnish, Swedish and Norwegian governments that the question of the possibility of a de facto alliance to assure the boundaries and independence of the three countries shall be examined.

Russians Retire

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—According to a despatch from North Finland, Russian troops have begun to retire.

Finnish troops and volunteers who are stationed at this part of the front are remaining in their positions awaiting orders.

INTENSE ACTIVITY BY TOTALITARIANS

FROM PAGE ONE

Berlin that the Soviet Government has given a definite pledge to Germany that Russia will not intervene in Rumania in any possible developments in South-Eastern Europe in future.

According to the report, the Russian pledge will enable the conclusion of a Russo-Rumanian Non-Aggression pact. Russia and Germany are shortly issuing official declarations to that effect.

The report asserts that negotiations regarding the security of Rumania are secretly proceeding between the Soviet Union, Germany and Rumania.

India's Gift For British Sailors

NEW DELHI, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The Viceroy has authorized the contribution of £275,000 from the Viceroy's War Purposes Fund to the King George's Fund for Sailors. He has requested the authorities of the latter fund to co-operate closely with the Indian Comforts Fund in London, which assists sailors.

25 KILLED IN TRAIN SMASH

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MCCALLEN, Texas, Mar. 14 (UP).—One of the worst train accidents in the history of Texas resulted to-day in the death of 25 workers, with 15 others injured. Most of them were Mexicans.

The accident happened when a passenger train crashed into a truckload of citrus workers near McAllen to-day.

NAZI MINERS FOR FINLAND

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Mar. 14 (UP).—According to the newspaper "Messaggero," German engineers from the Ruhr mines are going to Petsamo to work the nickel mines there.

German specialists from the Frankenstein nickel works have already left for Petsamo.

Foreign Planes Over Denmark

ESBJERG, Mar. 14 (UP).—The foreign planes flew over Esbjerg to-day. Danish anti-aircraft guns were brought into action.

POST OFFICE

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES Registered and Parcel Mail, are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

INWARD MAILS

Saigon	Mar.
Straits	Mar.
U.S.A. and Manila-San Francisco	Mar.
date, 17th Feb.	Mar.
Japan and Shanghai	Mar.
Japan	Mar.
Manila	Mar.
Shanghai	Mar.
Shanghai	Mar.
Direct Service-London date 9th	Mar.
March	Mar.
Canton	Mar.
Saigon	Mar.
Shanghai Amoy, and Swatow	Mar.
Shanghai and Amoy	Mar.
Halphong	Mar.
Europe via Suez and Straits-London	Mar.
date, 23th January	Mar.
Halphong	Mar.
Japan	Mar.
Canton	Mar.
Japan and Shanghai	Mar.
Shanghai	Mar.
Shanghai and Amoy	Mar.
Direct Service-London date, 13th March	Mar.
Bangkok and Saigon	Mar.
Straits	Mar.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways"	Mar.
Direct Service-London date, 14th March	Mar.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways"	Mar.
Direct Service-London date, 14th March	Mar.
March	Mar.
Australia and Manila	Mar.
Halphong	Mar.
Sandakan	Mar.
U.S.A., Honolulu, and Japan-San Francisco	Mar.
San Francisco date, 14th February	Mar.



# The "Telegraph's" Page of Exclusive Articles

## THE NAVY THAT FLIES

THE Fleet Air Arm was once a branch of the Royal Air Force.

The Navy contributed three-quarters of the pilots and all the observers; it was administered by the Air Force ashore, and by the Navy when it served afloat.

This arrangement worked very well because it worked on unbounded goodwill; but it had certain disadvantages and in due course the Fleet Air Arm ceased to be a branch of the Royal Air Force. It is now a part of the Royal Navy, and it lives mostly in aircraft carriers and the larger men-of-war that carry aircraft.

Now in certain parts of the coast there is a great deal of co-operation between the Air Force and the Navy.

If you remember they gave a remarkable demonstration of this on Trafalgar Day, when a convoy escorted by the Navy was attacked by German bombers. The Air Force fighters came whistling out from the coast like a stream of machine-gun bullets in defence of the convoy. Twelve enemy machines took part in that attack. Only five returned to Germany.

At one of these points where the two services are in close touch, a squadron of Fleet Air Arm fighters on board an aircraft carrier recently got orders to fly off and take a spell ashore.

I think the idea was to give them a rest because they had had a lot of gruelling fights and possibly to give them opportunities for certain specialised training. Anyhow they cocked an eye to windward and gave a hitch to their trousers and did all the things sailors do when they are told to go somewhere and do something, and off they went—streaming up from the deck of their carrier one after the other like bees going up from the alighting board.

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WHEN I found them they had come to earth on a bleak headland with hungers and rows of huts, the only things that broke the skyline.

They agreed that one good thing they had in plenty, and that was fresh air. There is normally only one sound on an aerodrome—the roar of propellers as engines are warmed through and machines take off or alight. Whenever there was a lull in this one heard the cry of gulls above the cliffs, and the faint grumble of the surf.

Working in conjunction with the Air Force they instituted a continuous naval patrol across a part of the North Sea from dawn to dusk. One day was very like another except that sometimes the fog came rolling in from the sea and, unless the visibility was too low for flying or they intercepted an enemy reconnaissance or bombing machine, one patrol was very like another. This squadron of Fleet Air Arm fighters is carrying out, day after day, what I shared with them for a few hours.

First of all a word about the kit. Full flying kit consists of a combination suit like the skin of a teddy bear. On top of that goes a wind-proof combination suit with a high collar lined with fleece. Then comes a life-saving waistcoat.

This can be inflated in a few moments by the wearer, and for some obscure reason is known technically as a "Mae West". The parachute harness buckles on over this. It is a cumbersome arrangement to walk about in, but it can be released in a second, and there are moments when it gives its wearer quite a lot of moral support. Lastly there is a flying helmet with earphone attachments, gauntlet gloves, and fleece-lined flying boots.

Now picture what one imagines a mining camp to be, rising out of a sea of mud churned up by lorries and all the traffic of a camp. In one of these huts, warmed by a paraffin stove and lit by a single hurricane lamp, the fighting pilots and observers were pulling on their flying kit. They were all pretty young—two of the pilots were Midshipmen, one a Sub-Lieutenant—a South African. There were two Marine Officers. Several were Petty Officers, ex-telegraphist Air Gunners and so on.

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I SEEM to remember that in the last war there was a good deal of rather feverish—almost macabre—gaity among the fighting pilots along the front. They made jokes about death. I haven't noticed any of that in this war. I thought they all looked soberly cheerful. Much the same expressions framed by the leather helmets and lit by the flame of the hurricane lamp as I could recall on the faces in the changing room before a rather important football match.

Then one by one, burdened by the harness, they went squelching through the mud towards the landing ground where the fighters were drawn up.

A bank of grey low-lying cloud hung overhead; beyond the edge of the cliffs the sea was visible for a mile, and then was obscured by mist. There was a silvery bright-

ness in the sky to eastward which was reflected in the puddles. The cold wind blowing off the land, carrying silvery wisps of rain across the aerodrome, smelt of heather and the hills.

The engines were being warmed through—that meant that the naval fighting machines, drawn up a little to seaward of the ranks of I.A.F. machines, were roaring like all the bulls of Bashan.

Each pilot and observer walked to their allotted machines. Two of them stopped to exchange a remark drowned by the deafening roar of the engines in the slip-stream, where normal speech is, of course, an impossibility.

The speaker reached out for the tube of the other's headphone and

spoke into it. The observer did the same and they both laughed. They were finishing a conversation they started in the hut; in that rush of air and uproar it was their secret. We climbed up into our cockpits. They were all two-seater fighters.

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ONE observer was so obviously unfamiliar with the situation that a member of the maintenance personnel—a cheerful red-faced person with little drops of rain on his eyebrows—leaned over

## \*—RADIO—\*

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H.K.T. 12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30. Songs by Lillian Harvey and Willy Fritsch.

12.45. Czech Philharmonic Orchestra. The London Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli.

2.15. Close down.

6.00. Dance Music.

6.50. Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.00. London Relay—Musical Hits of Thirty-Four and Fifty Years Ago.

7.30. London Relay—The News.

8.00. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.30. Brahms—Concerto in D Flat Major, Op. 83—Arthur Schnabel (Piano) and The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.

8.50. Studio—Talk on Psychology by Father G. Byrne, S. J. S. My Dog's Feelings and Mine.

9.05. The Regimental Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards—"Ruddigore" Selection, "The Sorcerer" Selection.

9.15. London Relay—News Summary.

9.30. London Relay—"World Affairs."

9.45. A Classical Request Programme—Gavotte, Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra; Bell Song, Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra; "The Barber of Seville"—Overture, Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York.

cond. by Arturo Toscanini; Prologue to "I Pagliacci"—A word allow me, But not to prate, Mario Basiola (Baritone) and Members of La Scala Orchestra, Milan; "Cavalleria Rusticana"—Intermezzo, New Light Symphony Orchestra; Your Tiny Hand is Frozen, Heavenly Aids, divine Aida, Just Björling (Tenor) with Orchestra; Canonella, Alfredo Campbell and His Salsa Orchestra; "The Three Men" Suite—1. The Man from the Country, 2. The Man about Town, 3. The Man from the Sea, Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by The Composer; Waltz In A Flat Major, Isolde Menges (Violin) with Piano accomp. Lullaby, Op. 49, No. 4, Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano) with Orchestra; Sonatine for Piano, Jeux d'Eau, Alfred Cortot (Piano).

11.0. Close down.

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Mr. Owen Johnson, who will act as managing agent for Pan American Airways in Hongkong when Mr. Phil Delaney goes on leave to Miami, Florida shortly, arrived yesterday by the China Clipper from Manila. Mr. Johnson has been stationed with Pan American office in Manila.

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the edge of the cockpit and demonstrated a few essentials such as the stowage of the parachute, the switches of the wireless telephone that connected the machine with the base, the release gear of the gun, how the strap clipped the observer into his seat.

After that he grinned and wished me a happy landing and disappeared. And then the roaring grew a little louder and the ground flowed bumpily away beneath us, turned in a wide circle and receded.

It was quite far beneath us by the time I had finished fiddling about with my straps and switches and trays of machine-gun ammunition and looked over the edge to see what was happening.

It was doing funny things—the earth we had left behind—tilting on edge a bit, and a mare and her foal in a field and some sheep on the edge of a cliff seemed quite unconscious that they were grazing at a most impossible angle; and there was a rushing wind that sang in the wires and a rather queer feeling of lightness in the region of the tummy.

I screwed my head round and saw the other fighters, quite close to us. Their movement was like that of boats, rising and dipping slightly on the surface of an invisible sea. The real sea was far beneath us, dark greenish grey, and then it faded.

The observer in the next machine was blowing his nose on a pocket handkerchief. I rather envied him that pocket handkerchief. I couldn't get at mine through all those layers of flying kit. Perhaps it didn't matter, up there above the clouds. They stretched beneath us like an Arctic panorama, with little dark streaks which was the sea thousands of feet below showing through rifts.

In a white floor that looked like pack ice, and cloud mountains in the far distance catching the first rays of the rising sun.

Not only did handkerchiefs not matter, but nothing seemed to me to matter very much, because we had been climbing steadily for some time and the altitude produced a curious feeling of detachment. It seemed impossible to recapture any emotion: one was sure only of peace: a sort of Nirvana; and a rushing wind tearing through empty space: blue sky above and a white light gleaming on the cloud floor beneath.

A little voice spoke in my earphone—Keep a good look-out. It was the pilot speaking.

That was what we were there for, of course. Somewhere out of the cloud mountains to the south-east, or out of the blue of space, a speck might appear, or a cluster of specks, and we should be after them full split. And death would be abroad in that sunny emptiness. It was queer to think of death, up there in all that peace.

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ONE of the pilots—the youngest, aged twenty—said one evening that the hunt was grand. It was the kill that wasn't so funny.

He himself had intercepted a German bombing machine one afternoon and a grim game of touch-lust began in a series of gigantic cloud valleys.

The enemy dived and banked and dodged from one cloud cover to another, and the relentless pursuit went on—"untill," said the midshipman, "I nipped ahead to a cloud I thought he'd make for and I waited for him on the other side. Gosh, it was fun! I got him as he came through at 200 yards range. But then, when you saw the poor devils spinning down nose first through the clouds, with smoke pouring from the engine, it wasn't so good. I hated that part of the business."

So that's how they feel about it. Occasionally disaster comes to one of our machines. This same pilot—I think he is the youngest fighting pilot in the Fleet Air Arm—had engine trouble when on patrol over the North Sea the other day. Down he came from ten thousand feet—planning down in the direction of a trawler he remembered seeing earlier.

He hit the water at 90 miles an hour, slap into a fifteen-foot swell, about three miles from the trawler. Another fighter in his patrol saw him going down and followed him through the clouds. The trawler's crew were below decks and to attract their attention the undamaged plane circled round, firing an occasional burst of machine-gun fire.

The trawler's crew decided reasonably enough that they were being attacked by a German machine and stayed below. In the meanwhile the machine still floated. The pilot landed his observer climbed out and although very shaken they managed to launch their collapsible dinghy; but that in some way became entangled with the tail of the machine, and the pilot in trying to free it got his hand nipped in the hinge of the rudder.

So there he was up to his waist in icy water, clamped by his wrist to a machine that at any moment might cock up her tail and dive to the bottom.

The observer realised the situation in the trawler and most gallantly decided to try to swim to her for help. So off he set, supported by his "Mae West."

The other fighter was circling helplessly overhead; she must have looked like a distracted mother peewit. However, her strange behaviour reassured the trawler's crew.

They came up on deck and finally sighted the wreckage of the plane. Stoking for all they were worth they came rushing to the rescue—and hauled the observer and the pilot on board.

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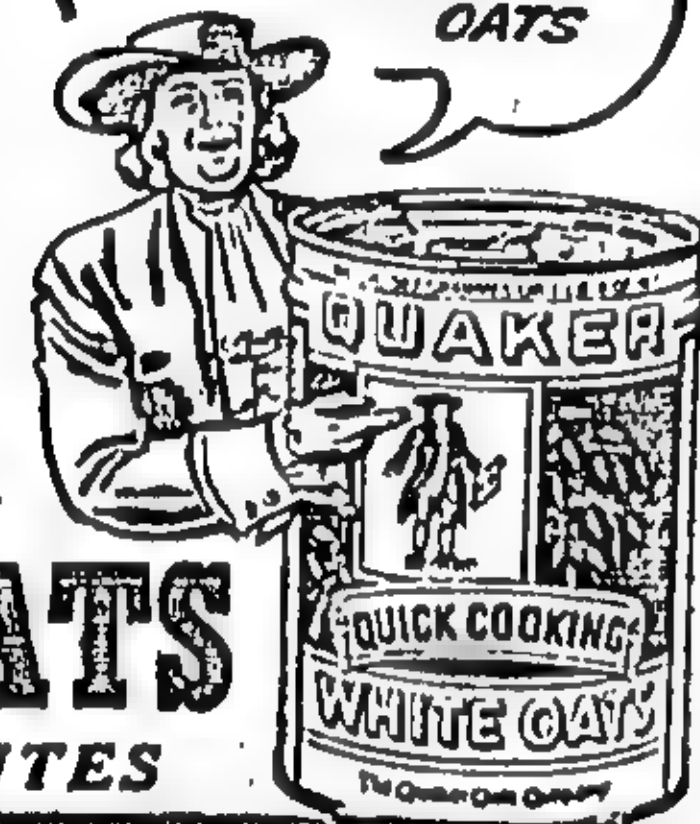
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## 1,496,000 TONS LOST, KOBE SURVEY CLAIMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

KOBE, Mar. 15 (Dome).—The sinking of merchant ships in European waters continued at a high rate in February, according to a survey by a local shipping concern.

Though the number of ships lost in February was somewhat less than that in December or January, their tonnage showed a record high of 277,955 tons. This brings the total of ships lost since the outbreak of the war to 1,496,510 tons, the survey states.

Sixty-nine ships were sunk in February, making the total number of ships lost since the beginning of the war 376.

In six months of war the monthly average of ships lost is given as 60 to 62, with a tonnage of 240,420. Of 375 ships that have gone to the bottom 324, aggregating 1,039,140 tons, were freighters, 30, totalling 237,485 tons, were tankers, and 20, with a tonnage of 210,885 tons, were passenger ships.

## KING WITH THE DOVER PATROL

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The King to-day spent several hours inspecting the Dover Patrol.

Vice-Admiral Ramsay explained the work of the patrol, and the King talked to the officers and men who man the destroyers, trawlers, paddle steamers and other craft that keep the narrow seas clear and safe for the passage of British ships.

His Majesty boarded a vessel fitted with the latest equipment for dealing with magnetic mines, and decorated six naval ratings.

## A MILLION PEOPLE HOMELESS

Shocking Plight Of Finnish Evacuees

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
COPENHAGEN, Mar. 14 (UP).—A Stockholm report says there are 1,000,000 people homeless in Finland of which number, 450,000 are evacuees from ceded territory.

About 550,000 are homeless due to the bombings in Helsinki and other cities and villages.

It is reported that many are living in holes in the ground in the forests. Hangoo Evacuation Begins

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 14 (UP).—The evacuation of Hangoo Island, which must be ceded to Russia by March 22, began to-day.

This will probably represent Finland's most difficult evacuation problem. Efforts will be made to settle the evacuees as soon as possible in order to return to normal peacetime work and make up for the time lost during the war.

500,000 To Lose Homes  
HELSINGFORS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—It is estimated that 500,000 people will be turned out of their homes as the result of the Russo-Finnish Treaty.

There are only 100,000 civilians at present in the affected areas as the others have been evacuated.

The first convey of inhabitants returning to Viborg to collect their belongings left Helsinki to-day in special trains and cars provided by the Government.

Help Promised  
STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—President Kaali of Finland, in a telegram to Mr. Herbert Hoover thanking him for the help given to Finland by the Hoover Relief Committee, stated that the civil population in the regions ceded would be transferred to the Finnish Republic.

Mr. Hoover, in reply, expressed the American people's deep sympathy and said that his organisation would continue to do all it could for the benefit of the Finnish people.

## FOUGHT OFF HEINKELS

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The captain of a fishing trawler which has returned to port, reports fighting off three Heinkel bombers successfully. The trawler was first attacked by a lone Nazi bomber. When it came over the first time, the captain found his gun jammed. He had freed it, however, when the plane came over a second time, and loosed off 80 rounds at its nose. It left.

Soon afterwards, three Heinkel bombers attacked the trawler, bombing and machine-gunning it over an hour.

The captain replied with his defence gun until his ammunition ran out.

The Heinkels did not score a single hit. No one was injured.

When the planes had gone, the trawler went on fishing.

## Wanchai Fire Smoulders

Godown Blaze Not Yet Extinguished

Under control but as yet smoking and still necessitating the action of a fire hose, the gutted godown of the Kwong Sang Hong Ltd., Hennessy Road, Wanchai, which caught fire on Wednesday has proved a centre of attraction to thousands in the past two days.

This morning's heavy shower will do much in helping the work of the firemen who have been considerably hampered in their fire fighting operations by the vast amount of debris that is being supported by thousands of bags of rice stacked in the lower portion of the godown. If the debris, caused by the collapsing roof, could have been cleared, the fire would not have lasted as long as it has.

The conflagration was discovered at 3 p.m. on Wednesday and from that time onwards numerous amateur photographers have visited the scene, clicking their cameras from every possible angle. Insurance Company representatives and other responsible people were at the fire shortly after its discovery.

At the time of the outbreak the godown was reported to have \$350,000 worth of goods, and the total damage is believed to exceed this sum.

## Defence Parleys In Capetown

CAPETOWN, Mar. 14 (UP).—It is announced here that the Commander in Chief of the British Forces in the Near East, Sir Archibald Wavell, is flying to Capetown for a defence conference with South African officials.

To Meet General Smuts  
CAPE TOWN, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief of the British troops in the Middle East, will meet General Jan Smuts, the South African Premier, and South African military leaders at Capetown this week.

He is travelling by air and has already conferred with the military leaders of Kenya and Rhodesia.

## WAR AFTERMATH

## FINLAND RECEIVES WORLD SYMPATHY

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—As was to be expected the Finnish-Russian peace treaty has aroused world-wide comment.

There is universal sympathy here for the Finns and praise for their gallant fight against heavy odds.

Deep regret is expressed at the fact that another brutal aggression has brought success to the aggressor.

There is a tendency to ask whether or not the Allies might have done more to aid the Finns.

This was answered, however, by the Finnish Foreign Minister on Wednesday when he said that the Allies were ready but that Norway and Sweden had refused to allow passage of troops through their territory.

But whatever the attitude of Norway and Sweden could the Allies have done more to save Finland?

People are also asking about the future of Scandinavia, now that Finland has given up her main defence lines at Hangoo and Russia has free transit facilities to the Norwegian and Swedish borders.

On the latter point, Sweden will ask Russia to explain her intentions. Norway will seek a clarification of a clause in the peace agreement giving free passage for Soviet goods through the Petsamo area to Norway.

Worse Off Than Before  
Even the Scandinavians who believed that the Swedish Government was right in its attitude now admit that Sweden is worse off than before.

In France the general opinion is similar to that in Britain. Many people think the Allies showed a lack of decision but also point out, as "Le Figaro" does, that the Allied military position is not impaired.

Some of the French newspapers question the wisdom of the Allies in so scrupulously respecting the neutrality of Norway and Sweden. "Excelsior" puts it in this way: "The police do not ask leave to go through a neighbour's house to arrest a would-be assassin to save his victim."

In America a few papers criticise the Allies or Scandinavia, although here and there is heard criticism of the reluctance of Congress to give Finland military help.

There is a wide feeling that the United States should do everything possible to help in the work of reconstruction.

In Germany the Nazis continue to make great efforts to prove that this peace is a setback to the Allies.

Living Space For Russia!  
The official explanation of Russia's demands is that they are an expression of a great State's need for Lebensraum (living space).

The Nazis' only ground for claiming a German diplomatic victory is that Britain and France wanted to extend the war to Scandinavia.

This was dismissed on Wednesday by one American paper which said that if the Allies had wanted to extend the war to the north they would have done so.

Nothing is said in Germany about Russia getting the big naval base at Hangoo but in London it is pointed out that the most likely reason for this is to ward off a possible German attack on Leningrad.

The Italian press is somewhat ambiguous. The papers accept the Nazi thesis of a setback to the Allies and make a show of welcoming peace. However there is evidence of distaste at successful aggression.

The "Telegrafo" says that the Russian attack was the most obvious of aggression in modern history.

## MOSLEM SUPPORT FOR BRITAIN

Important Conference Set For Lahore

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
CALCUTTA, Mar. 14 (UP).—Simultaneously with the arrival of Mr. Gandhi, at the Ramgarh Congress it was announced that the Moslem League had completed arrangements to hold a similar Congress at Lahore beginning March 20 and lasting several days.

The Moslem Congress will be attended by 60,000 Moslems including the Premiers of Bengal, Punjab, and Assam, and also by Mohamed Ali Jinnah the League President.

The League is expected to draft a resolution of solidarity with Great Britain in view of the war. The League represents 9,000,000 Moslems in India.

## New Premises For Famed Newspaper

LUCKNOW, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—One of India's oldest newspapers, the "Pioneer" moved into new buildings here yesterday. The premises were opened by the Governor of the United Provinces.

Mr. Winston Churchill sent a congratulatory message as an old war correspondent of the paper. Other notable contributors to the paper have included the late Rudyard Kipling.

## C.B.S. DISPLAY

On account of the inclement weather, the Annual Physical Training Display which was to have been given by pupils of the Central British School to-day, has been postponed until Tuesday, March 19 at 6 p.m.

## SAIGON MARU MAIL RETURNED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
OSAKA, Mar. 14 (Dome).—The French naval authorities in Indo-China have returned all mails with the exception of a few parcels containing contraband goods destined for Germany to the Japanese steamer Saigon Maru, according to a report received by the O.S.K. Headquarters from the captain of the ship.

The French authorities seized the mail aboard the O.S.K. liner in Saigon on March 12.

## Animals To Prove Mine's Efficacy

Committee To Discuss Inventor's Request

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 14 (UP).—Should animals be used for experimenting with and testing the efficacy of exploding mines?

A joint session of the United States Senate and House of Representatives military and naval affairs committees has been specially called next Monday to discuss this question.

The inventor of a new high explosive, Leslie P. Barlow, has requested permission to demonstrate his infernal machine in a field with the aid of animals.

Declares inventor Barlow: "It won't hurt them. Death will be instantaneous."

## NAZI-FINNISH TRADE ACCORD

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BERLIN, Mar. 14 (UP).—It is announced that the German and Finnish Committees signed an accord in Berlin last Wednesday against putting into effect the German-Finnish financial agreement in connection with the trade treaty which was renewed on December 30, 1939.

A further exchange of goods, as well as clearing arrangements, was also discussed.

## NAZIS ASKED TO SAVE METALS

BERLIN, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Field-Marshal Hermann Goering has appealed for a nation-wide collection on April 20—Hitler's birthday—of metals, especially copper, bronze, brass and tin, for defence of the Fatherland.

## ITALY SHORT OF SCRAP-IRON

ROME, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—All iron railings, gates and even railings round the Pink of Italy, the Stock Exchange and the old Roman forums are being removed for scrap-iron.

## LOCAL ACTIVITY

PARIS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—To-day's communique says that there was local activity of advanced parties, especially west of the Vosges.

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The Y.M.C.A. now has 100 mobile canteens operating in Britain. The 100th canteen was presented yesterday by the Guild of Vintners.

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## BELGIUM BITTER

Papers' Contempt And Hatred For Russia

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The satisfaction expressed in certain Belgian papers yesterday over the Russo-Finnish peace has now disappeared.

Considerable bitterness is generally felt but all the papers pay tribute to Finland and have nothing but contempt and hatred for Russia.

The "Nation Belge" and "Libre Belgique" both point out the German responsibility.

## Germany Responsible

The "Nation Belge" appeared with headlines which read: "Finland is the victim of Germany as much as of Russia" and "Fearing Germany the Scandinavian States pressed Finland to accept the Soviet terms. Thus the Finns helped to subject the Russian yoke on to a country which in 1918 she helped to rid of Red troops."

The "Libre Belgique" says, "Germany bears the brunt of responsibility for the tragedy. She prevented any efficient aid being sent to these small valiant people whom twenty years ago she helped to win their independence."

"Once again Hitler, the founder, inspirer and still the leader of the anti-Comintern front, contributes an extension to Bolshevism in Europe."

## United States Criticised

The chief criticism of the "Independence Belge" is directed against the United States.

After pointing out that Sweden, France, Britain and Italy contributed aid, the paper adds, "But America, on whom the Finns especially counted, granted a few million dollars but provided that this money was not to be devoted to war materials!"

The paper adds: "No one has a right to reproach the Allies for non-intervention in Finland. Hitler wanted to profit from the Italian and British differences in order to realise his own ends but the British Government destroyed these hopes. The solution of the coal problem stripped Ribbentrop's visit to Rome of all value."

## GOVERNMENT CRITICISED

Secret Session Of French Parliament

PARIS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The Senate to-day unanimously agreed to go into secret session after the arrival of M. Daladier and ten other Cabinet Ministers.

M. Daladier declared that the Government accepted an immediate discussion on Finland but desired to defer discussion on the conduct of the war until next week.

Criticism of the Government's handling of the Finnish situation is believed to be among the matters voiced at the secret session, which lasted three and a quarter hours.

The session was adjourned until to-morrow.

In some quarters, it is even believed that some Cabinet changes may result, possibly including the appointment of a Foreign Minister, one of the three posts now held by M. Daladier.

(M. Daladier is concurrently Prime Minister, Foreign Minister and Minister for Defence.)

## Stock Market Rallies

Rubber Is Depressed

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—After a quiet session, some evidence of a rallying tendency was visible in the final stages at the Stock Exchange to-day.

Gift-edged securities closed above the day's lowest, while home rails recovered to round about the opening levels.

The early decline of Indian Government bonds was halted during the afternoon.

Of the commodities, rubber and tin were easier, mainly owing to United States consumers holding off as their requirements are believed to be covered.

Rubber was further depressed by liquidation.

Wall Street was irregular.

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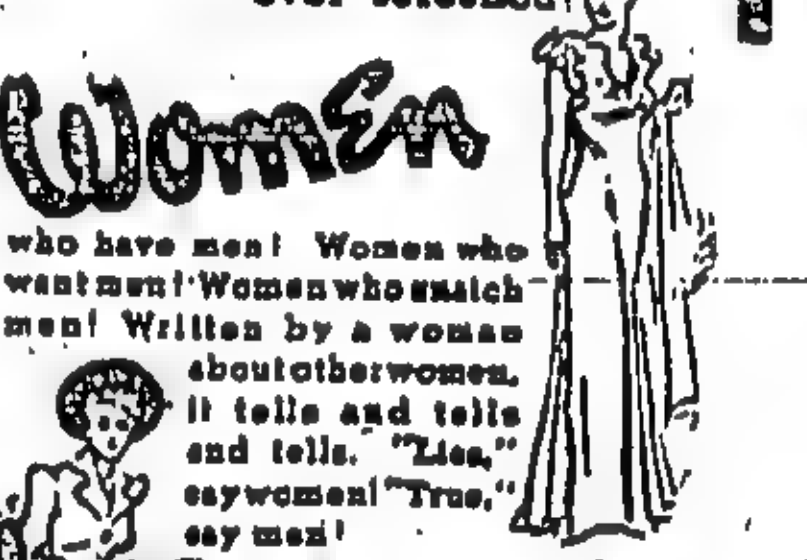
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## Stock Exchange Warning

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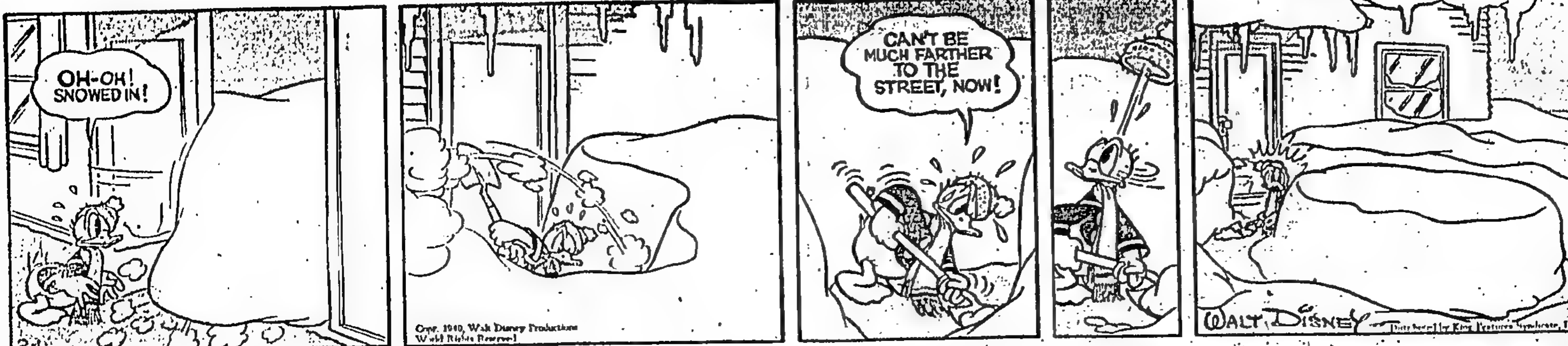
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# London War Diary

First Lord at Manchester. Mr. Rex Leeper.  
Westward's Owner. Canadian French.

MR. CHURCHILL was at the top of his form on Saturday, and, as the "mike" revealed, made a great reception from his Lancashire audience.

He may well have felt that, in a political sense, his foot was on the native neck. He contested Oldham as a Conservative in 1922 and won it in 1923. In the 1924 election he stood as a Liberal for the Conservative stronghold of North-West Manchester and won a victory that was remarkable even in that land.

He was then Under-Secretary for the Colonies in the new Liberal Administration. When in 1926 he became President of the Board of Trade he had to face a difficult by-election under the old rule that an M.P. on becoming a Cabinet Minister had to resign his seat and seek re-election.

He put up a great fight, but was beaten by Sir William Joynton-Hicks, afterwards Lord Brentford.

## Telephonic Diplomacy?

I WAS amused to see that some Sunday papers yesterday fell into the same mistake as the Home radio. This was that Mr. Rex Leeper had long talks with Mr. Anglescu, the Rumanian Minister for National Economy. If so, they must have been by telephone.

For Mr. Leeper, though appointed as Minister in Bucharest last August, has never taken up his post. Our Minister who has been conferring with the Rumanian Government on the question of oil exports is Sir Reginald Hoare, whom Mr. Leeper was to have relieved.

Mr. Leeper is in charge of a department in the Foreign Office created to deal with certain problems arising out of the war. It has its headquarters not in Downing-street but in a district where rationing is less liable to interruption than in Whitehall.

Its exact whereabouts are a secret. One of its members told me confidentially that the place where the three countries of Wallonia, Bucks and Suffolk meet.

## South African Yachtsman

MR. T. B. DAVIS, the South African millionaire, who has given \$100,000 for dependents of South African soldiers, is a native of Jersey. Going to sea when a boy, he was wrecked and cast adrift alone in the North Sea in a tiny boat.

Some Scandinavian sailors picked him up and "T.B." always remembered the name of the ship that saved him. Many years afterwards, when he had amassed great wealth, he sought out and rewarded his rescuers and their families, who by that time were widely scattered.

## Made His Own Racing Sails

HE sailed the seas as a merchant captain and made a fortune in whaling enterprises on the South Atlantic. At the end of the last decade of King George V's reign he became a notable figure at Cowes, racing his picturesque ketch, the "Westward", ward against the King's Britannia.

Mr. Davis is eminently a practical yachtsman. With his own crew in Jersey he personally made all the racing sails of the "Westward", a job quite unique in yachting.

Merry racing days aboard "Westward" were a feature of many Cowes Weeks. Admirals, princes, peers, mistletoes, sailors, Boy Scouts, soldiers and band-leaders were all a-shaunting on the main sheet shrouder to shrouder as the great ship was doing her 12 knots through Cowes Roads.

I have seen as many as 40 toppers and "T.B." at the wheel, an eccentric and not always a silent host.

## A Pro-Roith Decision

I FIND I was wrong in giving the credit to Sir John Reith for the decision of the Ministry of Information to send papers by air to Paris for transmission to countries beyond France.

Early in November the Ministry decided that newspapers should be flown to Paris in order to speed up the time of their arrival in Italy, the Balkans, Spain and Portugal. Another newspaper aeroplane service was then arranged for Scandinavia.

At the time only the latter could be put into effect. Now that the machines are available, the Paris service to-day becomes an accomplished fact.

## A Kitchener Precedent

SIR ARCHIBALD SINCLAIR was able to quote an interesting precedent yesterday in support of suggestions made to the Prime Minister. These were that in future private speeches by members of the War Cabinet should not be confined to the 1922 Committee or Conservative back-benches.

He recalled that Lord Kitchener had addressed a private meeting of M.P.s of all parties when he was War Secretary. It was the last speech Lord Kitchener made. He met a gathering of M.P.s on June 2, 1910. Three days later he was lost in the Hampshire.

So keen were M.P.s to take advantage of what was at that time an unprecedented opportunity that the meeting had to be transferred from the War Office to one of the Parliamentary committee rooms. Sir John Will Crooks moved the vote of thanks.

## The Boy Father of the Man

THERE was a very representative gathering at the lunch to Mr. Gordon Selfridge yesterday. Lord Ashfield, who presided in the unavoidable absence of Lord Beaverbrook, made a very graceful speech in proposing the health of the guest.

In his reply, Mr. Selfridge recalled one of his earliest adventures in business. As a boy he and a friend, equally precocious, started a monthly magazine. He was the business manager and obtained from the local dentist a 25 cent advertisement, but failed to collect the money.

In order that the firm should not be the loser he squared the account by getting the dentist to accept a perfectly sound tooth, "which," said Mr. Selfridge, "I miss to this day."

Retirement for Mr. Selfridge does not mean idleness. Though he has resigned his active work he hopes, he says, to continue working. And I am sure he will.

## Poetry from the Throne

THE Emperor of Japan very rarely speaks his own thoughts to his people. His edicts and his speeches are the work of the Diet or are framed by his Ministers.

His subjects, however, find the "authentic" voice of the Emperor in the poetry which he writes in his own hand.

In his poem which is read at the New Year Imperial poetry gathering yesterday is that at the beginning of the year "we pray that the East and West common prosperity."

This poetry party draws the throne and the poet very close together for another reason. Any of the Emperor's subjects are allowed to compete, the five best poems being chosen for reading. This year there were over 35,000 entries.

The psychological influence of the Emperor's poem to his people can hardly be exaggerated.

## Romantic Royal Centenary

ADMIRAL ROYAL KEITH's interests in the later stages of the last war were devoted mainly to the air. It was, I believe, owing to his statement in 1917 of the case for a separate Air Ministry that the Cabinet decided on the creation of the R.A.F.

The Admiral retired from the Navy and R.A.F. in 1919. He has now returned to his first Service and is acting as liaison officer in charge of the Auxiliary Naval Hospital.

A man of many interests, one being the theatre, he hopes to find time from his duties next week to come to London to preside over the centennial celebration of the marriage of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert. This is being held on Feb. 10 at the Dorchester.

The celebration has been arranged by Constance Smedley, the authoress, who has made all the arrangements for a lecture of thanks to the Royal family for their interest in and support for the theatre. It is also to mark the centenary of the difficulties under which the theatre is working in war-time.

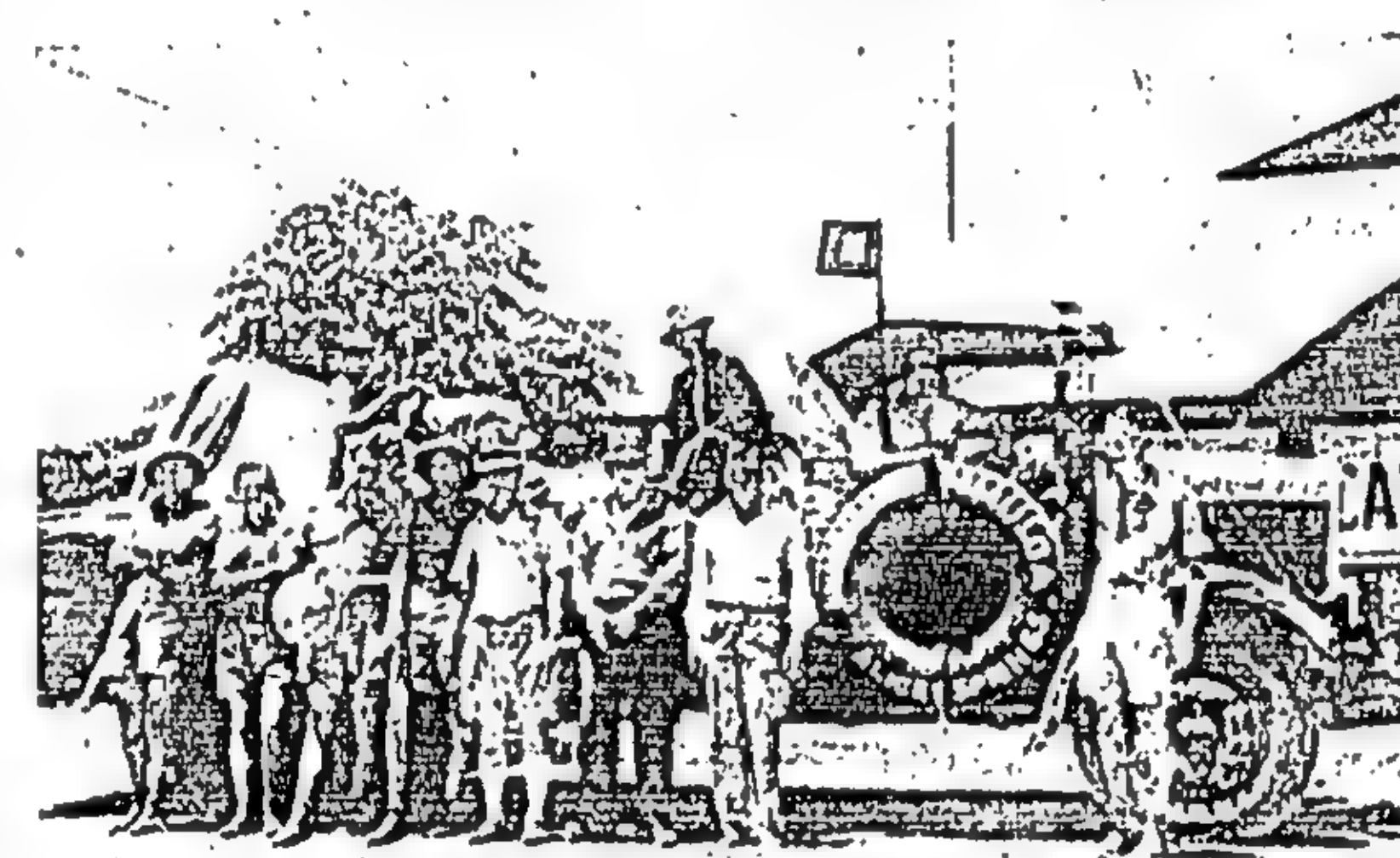
## Caledonia Stern and Wild

THE Nazi secret service is said to be in trouble for not having reported the existence of a newly formed Scottish regiment. The German High Command first learnt of the existence of the Caledonian Highlanders from a London paper.

PETERBOROUGH.

# NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

A New Daily Feature for the Australian naval units in Far Eastern waters.



**VOLUNTEERS FROM ALICE SPRINGS.**—The first ten volunteers from Alice Springs, Central Australia, ready to depart for Darwin, a 1,000 mile journey. Six of this group, who enlisted for service overseas, will have to travel at least a further 3,000 miles before arriving at a training camp.

## BUILDING OF SHIPS

ADELAIDE.—Two thousand men will be employed if the Broken Hill, Pty., Co., Ltd., carries out its plan to build ships at Whyalla, near the head of Spencer Gulf. Ships of more than 1500 tons may be built.

The Minister for Customs (Senator McLeay) said recently that a hint to this effect had been given by the company, but no details had been released. It is believed that a start would be made on construction of the works soon.

Whyalla would be an excellent site, for it was in the "safety zone" of Australia. It was not expected that the company would have any difficulty in securing sufficient skilled men for the work in Australia. The project had a great defence value.

Apart from the huge outlay of capital on the shipbuilding industry at Whyalla, expenditure on harbour deepening and extension works already well in hand, would amount to £2,000,000, said the Premier (Mr. Playford).

## FORGED "FIVERS"

SYDNEY.—Forged £5 notes were passed in Sydney and Melbourne recently. Police believe that their prompt action frustrated an attempt to flood both States with counterfeit money. More than 100 notes, declared by the police to be forgeries, were recovered during the afternoon from hotels, shops, and Randwick racetracks.

In Sydney police detained nine men and a woman. The police wireless station spent almost the whole afternoon broadcasting a description of suspects, who, the announcer said, were using cars and taxicabs. Suburban patrols were directed by radio where to go.

Bookmakers at Randwick and Moonee Valley were warned to be alert, because it was discovered that counterfeit notes were being circulated there.

## "TRACKED SCOUT CARRIER"

MELBOURNE.—Australian Army experts are designing a new vehicle, a "Tracked scout carrier," which will be capable of taking a heavily armed crew, over most difficult ground rapidly, to enable men to take up a vantage point when under direct enemy fire. It is hoped to begin the production of these vehicles soon.

This was announced by the Minister for the Army in Melbourne on Monday, when he said that tanks were imported, but that armoured reconnaissance cars were made in local factories. Quantity production of machine gun carriers was in hand, and deliveries at a satisfactory rate were expected to begin within a few weeks. The design incorporated a number of unusual features, but apart from engine and transmission units was of local design and construction.

## TALLON'S RECORD

BRISBANE.—Don Tallon, Queensland wicket-keeper, was responsible for a remarkable performance in the Brisbane Cricket Association's fixtures, when he figured in the dismissal of every Toombul batsman. He caught the first three

batsmen behind the wicket, then doffed the gloves and secured the five remaining wickets. Toombul batted two men short—off his own bowling. Another unusual feature of his performance was that Pegg, his substitute, gave a brilliant performance behind the wicket to catch two and stump one of Tallon's five victims. La France and Jackie, each of whom reached the 70's scored 114 for the fourth wicket in 88 minutes.

Tallon came from behind the wicket to dismiss them both. This is the first occasion in Brisbane cricket that a wicket-keeper has played the dual role to dismiss a whole side.

Although Don Tallon's feat in sharing in the dismissal of the whole Toombul side is unique for a wicket-keeper, four other players in Brisbane cricket have dismissed a whole team. All are bowlers.

Tallon caught three behind the wickets, and then, taking a turn with the ball, took five wickets for 50. As Toombul batted two short, he shared in the dismissal of the entire team.

Outstanding bowling feat in club cricket is Gil Hardcastle's 10 wickets for 14 runs for Toombul against Valley, on November 24, 1934.

Others to capture all 10 wickets were the late K. Oxenham, G. B. Barlow, and Cecil Thompson. All performances were recorded on almost unplayable wickets.

Tallon, as a wicket-keeper, equalled the world's record last season by claiming 12 victims (six in each innings). He also shares a Sheffield Shield record—seven victims in an innings. On five occasions last season he secured six wickets in a single innings.

Tallon previously has done well as a bowler. Last season on two occasions he captured six wickets in an innings, but Pegg kept wickets throughout these innings.

## QUIST CHAMPION

SYDNEY.—The interruption of Ajax's winning sequence in turf events last year caused no bigger surprise than John Bromwich's straight-sets defeat by Jack Crawford in the semi-final of the Australian singles championship. Crawford won 6-0, 6-1, 6-2, yet before the match it was impossible to back Bromwich at 15 to 1 on Crawford played superb tennis, holding the initial five straight sets against the title-holder, who is 11 years younger.

Wearied by his singles exertions, Crawford offered no resistance to the close of the doubles final with McGrath against Quist—Bromwich, who retained his title, 6-2, 7-5, 6-1.

In the women's doubles, Miss Wynne-Coyne gained her fifth successive victory by defeating Misses Macgregor-Niemeyer, 7-5, 6-3. Capping a season which included a major part of Australia's Davis Cup success, Adrian Quist won his second national singles title, by defeating Jack Crawford 6-3, 6-0, 6-2.

Quist expected a repetition of Crawford's display against Bromwich and to counter that he lifted his game to a height which has never exceeded. His ground shots and his usual net

# A Look Through The "Telegraph"

## 50 YEARS AGO

Mar. 15, 1890.  
The St. Patrick's Dance promises to be unusually lively affair this year, between six and seven hundred guests having been invited to honour the memory of "old Ireland's" patron saint—more power to his elbow. And, as might be expected, the Committee are sparing no pains to ensure a pleasant evening for their friends.

The semi-official press in Berlin states that Prince Bismarck has only deferred his resignation of the Chancellorship, which is owing to the result of the elections, and is regarded as a further proof of the want of accord between the Prince and the Emperor William.

## 25 YEARS AGO

Mar. 15, 1935.  
"Battle stopped by Mud," says a "Times" headline. This is the first time, we believe, that any material success has attended the operations of the Ostasiatische Lloyd and Wolff Agency (the German news agencies).

The exhibition of the dead tiger at the City Hall last week was a success. Hongkong has not been so stirred out of its habitual lethargy since the 1900 typhoon. The war has been nothing to it.

## 10 YEARS AGO

Mar. 15, 1930.  
Sir William Peel, the new Governor of Hongkong, in succession to Sir Cecil Clementi, had an audience with His Majesty the King today when he kissed hands on his appointment to the Governorship.

## 5 YEARS AGO

Mar. 15, 1935.  
Germany's official admission of the possession of a fighting Air Force is not likely to be accepted in silence in France. It is pointed out that the admission of an infringement of the Treaty of Versailles raises a number of legal and diplomatic problems which the Quai d'Orsay is examining and introduces into the coming Anglo-German negotiations in Berlin a new factor "which should normally lead the Government interested to take concerted action in accordance with the agreements reached at Rome and London."

The admission, it is pointed out here, is also a flagrant contradiction of the Anglo-French communique of February 3, which stated that neither Germany nor any other power whose armaments were fixed by the Peace Treaty, has a right to "modify" its obligations unilaterally.

In a broadcast speech addressed to the people of Japan, Mr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan of the Chinese Government, appealed to the Japanese people for sincere co-operation in carrying out the Great Asianist principle laid down by his father, Sun Yat-sen.

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## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued yesterday says:

Business was brisk during the day and prices in a few instances registered advances.

Hongkong Bank shares led the advance, but close with an unsatisfied demand at \$1,400 after shares passing at that rate.

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H.K. Bank \$1,400  
Union Ind. \$1,275  
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# Crossword Puzzle

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1—Fruit-ions  
2—Part of Spain  
10—Attendant  
11—Unaccompanied  
12—English school  
13—Snake nickname  
14—Admirative  
15—Singular pronoun  
16—Persian river  
17—Pistol (rhyme)  
18—German city  
19—Warfare  
20—One  
21—Unborn  
22—Bad dream  
23—Ode of peace  
24—Equivocal  
25—Plethora  
26—Roman money  
27—Fruit  
28—Virginia (abbr.)  
29—Mohammed's father  
30—Attendant  
31—Austrian surgeon  
32—Lemon thing  
33—Body room  
34—German city  
35—Devour  
36—Alcoholic drink  
37—Expectation  
38—Name

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE  
1—In order that  
2—Intimacy  
3—Not-shielded one  
4—Water-heater  
5—Regularity  
6—Verdancy  
7—Boat flag  
8—Fort  
9—Convert inmate  
10—Governor of New York  
11—Tubercular into  
12—Lower of tongue  
13—Male deer  
14—Part of  
15—Chinese  
16—African culture  
17—Mother at home  
18—Austrian  
19—Merry  
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## Guarantees

That Yugoslavia should have shown open resistance to Axis demands for control of its railroads and industries in the event of war, and that to this resistance has now been added the less open but apparently as real objections of Hungary to domination by Germany must be encouraging to British statesmen at a time when encouragement is more than usually welcome.

British backing for the Yugoslav stand is visible. If similar support exists for Hungary's attitude, it is not yet visible, and indeed will not be until all hope of keeping German friendship without accepting German overlordship has vanished in Budapest. Moreover, the British are at this moment preoccupied with the Baltic developments. Beside those, the question of Hungary's position may seem secondary.

Hungary's position is complicated by its need of friendship with Germany, by trade relations with the latter which always contain a threat to Hungarian economic independence, by fear for Hungary's political independence should Germany monopolise Hungarian markets, and by the fact that an extremely active and strategically situated National Socialist movement exists in Hungary.

Next door to Greater Germany little Hungary has to use tact. Hungarian statesmen have had to be doubly tactful in satisfying their own people that Hungary was not coming under the yoke of any big Power and in satisfying at least one big Power that Hungary was pursuing no foreign policy adverse to that larger country's interests.

Should Britain's guarantees be extended to Hungary, they would cover two States which have a territorial dispute between them. Hungary demands the return of Transylvania from Rumania. Possibly as guarantor of both States against a third party's threat, Britain may unwittingly acquire the role of umpire between them. This should, however, be hardly less embarrassing than Germany's new position between Russia and anti-Comintern Japan.

# HITLER and RUSSIA SEVEN YEARS AFTER

Last month was an anniversary both vivid and sinister. We may say that it glares in history. Will it be a marked date again?

Seven years have passed. Hitler became Chancellor of the Reich on January 30, 1933. That evening he stood in the lighted window while the great torchlight procession tramped and flared below.

## Demagogue of Reaction

Europe had known no ascent like this. It was the unique apotheosis of a demagogue of reaction and a mob-man urging autocracy.

It was portentous past all guessing at that time. Hitler was resolved to destroy the ideals of the League of Nations and to restore the Germanic war-creed in a more formidable shape than ever.

## Then and Now

When he rose to Bismarck's place as a preliminary, he was soon to succeed Hindenburg. He became an uncrowned Kaiser with more power than any of them since Charlemagne and the Others a thousand years before.

Seven years ago Germany contained about 65,000,000 people. He has created by cumulative violence an empire of nearly twice the size, with about 110,000,000 of inhabitants.

Napoleon never had so many subjects.

## "Munich to Moscow"

When Hitler became Chancellor he proclaimed himself the implacable antagonist of the Bolshevik revolution. He destroyed Czechoslovakia at Munich amidst the wild exclamations of Moscow. He murdered Poland with Moscow's aid.

By means of the Nazi-Soviet compact he precipitated another European war. It may become another world-war before we are done with it and him.

## Neutrals and Jeopardy

Like Wallenstein he has his touch of irreligious superstition. Men of his type are apt to regard seven years as a mystical number.

From one end of Europe to the other the lesser neutrals are in dread, not knowing what any day may bring. Not one of them feels safe. Nazi victory would make vassals of them all. Not one of them would be free as now.

## The Milonic Cause

This war in the moral sense is the greatest of wars. The Allied cause is true and glorious in the Milonic sense. It is a war for European freedom and for the rights and hopes of man in all the world.

Could Hitlerism triumph, the political and humane ideals of western civilisation would suffer their worst setback since the Dark Ages.

Against this deep historic background of to-day the more acute ordeal of the neutrals in north-western, central, and eastern Europe must be seen, as well as the immortal example of the Finns.

## Alarm in the Low Countries

Holland and Belgium have been roused as by the tocsin. They fear that they and not Sweden and Norway might find themselves first in the firing line.

One of the Nazi trespassers in the air had been brought down in Belgium. Among his papers were photographs of Belgian defences. Along the Dutch frontier heavy movements of German troops were accompanied by the bullying obligato of the Nazi Press.

It seemed possible that the violation of either kingdom or both might be imminent. The Dutch Cabinet held a special meeting last Sunday. Military leave was cancelled in both countries. All measures were taken for instant resistance.

## "Free or Die"

In Brussels additional troops were called up to the number of nearly 40,000. Practically Belgium is on a war-footing, with nearly 700,000 men available.

The Dutch are determined not to fall below the unyielding spirit of their ancestors in the heroic age when liberty was won. One Finland makes many.

No doubt is now left that both the Low Countries will stand together to the death if either is assailed.

Nazi submarines attack Netherlands shipping with peculiar brutality. If this is meant to intimidate, the effect upon a people with the fibre and traditions of the Dutch has been the opposite.

## The Hanging Cloud

Both in Holland and Belgium the apprehension of immediate onslaught has passed. But there is no real lull. A million German troops with a mighty equipment are massed along the frontiers of the Low Countries and Luxemburg.

Just as in Schlieffen's time, the Nazi plans for invading all three territories should Hitler decide to give the signal are detailed, time-tabled, and complete. They could be operated any day.

## "Qui Vivo?"

Three considerations are instructive. First, Hitler will hardly hazard a mechanised attack on the Low Countries while there is danger of a short frost and thaw. He must be surer of his weather.

Second, it is not so certain that the game would pay. Belgium and Holland are in a far stronger position than when war broke out. The Allies can give swift support. The Nazi onslaught might be foiled after revolting the world.

Third, if Hitlerism established air-bases against Britain in a conquered Holland, the enemy's communications would become much more vulnerable to British bombers.

For these reasons, it is quite possible that Hitler, Goring, and the Generals have not yet taken a fundamental decision to strike at and through the Low Countries when the going is good. But the watchword on the menacing side is "Qui vive?" and the sentinels are unsleeping.

## Mind and Matter

For the moment, however, the Scandinavian situation is the graver. The world is forced to realise that what seemed unthinkable may occur. A Russian attack on Sweden and Norway can no longer be ruled out of reckoning. We live in an age of monstrous possibilities. In the moral sphere their shapes are like the horrific forms of giant reptiles and other creatures far back in geological time.

As formerly against Finland, the Soviet organs opened with a Nazi technique of abuse and menace. To both Stockholm and Oslo, the Kremlin sent notes meant to intimidate. The replies were wary but not weak.

## Challenge and Stand

The northern kingdoms are well within their legal as well as moral right in aiding the Finns. They cannot desert. Human nature forbids it. So do the life and death issues concerning their own safety.

The subject has been spread out in the Soviet newspapers. Semi-official statements pronounce that the Swedish and Norwegian replies, especially the former, were unsatisfactory and fringed with danger.

## Will the Bear Dance?

All depends upon whether the Kremlin can be induced by Hitler and Ribbentrop to pay the price of Mephistopheles, whose bargain was for body and soul.

So, the full alliance that Hitler and Ribbentrop seek, would offer the largest of delusive advantages but would put Moscow at the mercy of the Reich.

The weaknesses of the Soviet Empire would be gravely increased by an attack on Sweden and Norway.

Annexation of northernmost Norway so as to give Russia open ports on the North Atlantic at Narvik and Hammerfest is easy to talk of but not easy to do.

## Swedish Iron-Ore

The greatest of the Swedish iron-mines are in northern Lapland, far within the Arctic circle. They are marvellous deposits said to contain 90 per cent. of all Europe's high-percentage iron-ore.

If Russia conquered northern Finland the shadow of her hand would fall upon the Lapland iron-fields.

Moscow would never be allowed to possess them. Germany is the chief buyer of the Swedish ore, and covets control of that resource more than anything except the mastery of Rumanian oil.

## Stalin's Test

Less than four months ago Stalin held the cards in his hand. He seemed the most astute player alive. Then, in the flush of assurance, he lost his acumen and fumbled his cards.

There has been no such blunder—but this is worse—since the Napoleon of Tilsit began to defeat himself by despising Portugal.

It is certain that Stalin was misled by false advice. Why should he not settle with Finland and Scandinavia? Why should the autocrat of all the Russias become Ribbentrop's monkey?

J. L. G.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Complete information on any subject under the sun?  
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# FINLAND'S Strong Old Man —by George Godwin—

WHO is this Field-Marshal Mannerheim, leader of Finland's gallant little army against the might of Russia?

We have all read about the Mannerheim Line—the defence system he has built up along sections of his country's eastern frontier.

But what kind of man is this 73-year-old soldier who has behind him the faith and confidence of all his countrymen?

To understand a little of what Carl Gustav Mannerheim means to the Finns one must know why he has become a legend in his own life-time.

For that happens to few men. Nations mostly prefer their heroes dead.

The reason is very simple. Had there been no Mannerheim, there would have been no Republic of Finland.

Very tall—he stands six feet two inches in his socks—Field-Marshal Mannerheim, Baron in the Peerage of Finland, is as lean and as hard and as upright to-day as he was when, in 1917, after the collapse of the Empire of the Tsars, for whom he had been fighting, he slipped over the Karelian frontier into Finland, which was then part of the Russian Empire.

When Russia collapsed so our ally, Mannerheim was a cavalry corps commander with thirty years Imperial service behind him.

But it was an exhausted man in civilian clothes who limped into Helsinki when the first Provisional Government of the new State, just born of the Grand Duchy, was in session.

Mannerheim was well received, but his utterances sounded monotonous.

"We must get the Bolshevik army out of Finland," he kept repeating, "and we must never let the Germans in."

So they told him to get on with the first job, and Mannerheim turned his back once more on the granite capital.

That was in the late autumn of 1917, when Finland's day is but a few hours and her darkness has something of the terror of an eternal night.

Mannerheim had to work in secret.

for Finland was thick with soldiers—and spies. So he moved through the land, and behind him there formed a peasant army, an army armed with scythes, axes, knives and, here and there, an old rifle.

When Mannerheim reckoned the moment had come to strike he could number 12,000 followers. He had nothing to offer them save what Garibaldi offered those who followed him to the liberation of Italy—wounds, hunger and death.

It was then that Mannerheim revealed himself as the type of soldier who forgets the textbooks and turns to the logic of events and the facts before him.

He faced, in all, 90,000 Russian troops. And they were well-armed and seasoned men.

In five months he drove the last of them out of the northern land, achieving this epic military feat by taking them post by post, annexing their arms, their equipment, adding it to his own.

But when Mannerheim returned victorious to Helsinki it was to find a Provisional Government demanding German assistance to drive the Russians from the new capital.

He glowered on them and reminded them of his first warnings. They declined to listen, sent for Vor der Goltz. The German general came. But Mannerheim went—to Stockholm.

Finland would have need of him, again, he said. He was content to wait.

He returned in 1919, when Finland had to seek recognition of her new status from the world; when, too, her people were starving.

With Mannerheim came foodships—the food-ships which saved the country.

In that year Mannerheim became first President of the Republic. Since then he has remained her Strong Man.

Although seventy-three, he has the bearing of a man in the fifties. His hair remains plentiful and iron grey, his eyes, of the light, hard blue of northern skies, are clear and steady.

And in spite of the fact that Mannerheim's methods, when he last drove the Russians out of Finland, earned him the title of the "bloody executioner," Finland sees in him a peer of Garibaldi and Simon Bolivar, and is consolidated under her strong man.

She is well content to do so.





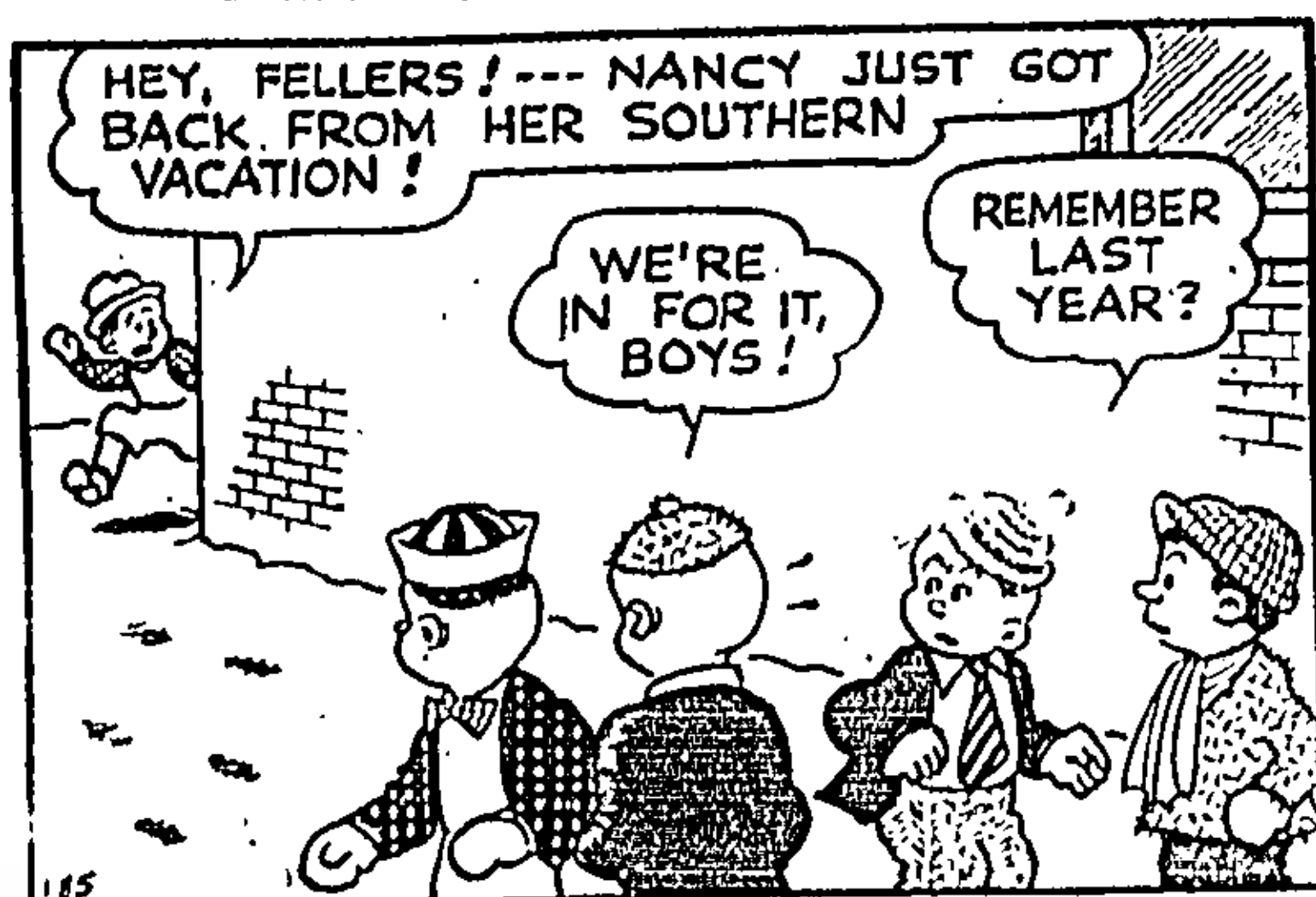






# NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



## THRILLING BADMINTON

### Yong Enters Semi-Finals Of Men's Open Singles Championship

(By "Tinker")

AFTER ONE of the hardest, most thrilling, and most skilful badminton matches played this season, K. L. Yong entered the semi-finals of the Colony men's singles championship at King's College last night, when he defeated C. F. Chew 8-15, 18-16, 17-15. I don't think the superlatives of a motion picture publicity man could do justice to the match, nor could they describe the thrills that closing stages of the tense duel gave to the many spectators.

These latter may have been disappointed when P. S. Bun gave a walk-over to H. Eardley, but they had little to complain about. Their evening was not wasted.

So strenuous was their match that after two games they were so played out that they could not immediately continue with the third, and the mixed doubles match, in which M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva easily beat T. T. Chin and Miss M. Ding 15-3, 15-5, was played to afford them

a rest. It was a mutual arrangement, though contrary to the rules of badminton.

C. F. Chew was, by narrow margin, the better player, but he had not the stamina of his opponent. His repertoire of shots, however, was more complete than any I have seen in the Colony. The rallies of the closing minutes of the third game were, in perfection, like a motion picture. Adroitly placed and cunningly concealed short drop shots from the baseline, hearty and accurate smashes from all angles, and

masterly delicate shots when at the net blended into perfect entertainment for the spectators.

#### TWO HARD GAMES

IN THE second game, Yong secured a hard fought lead at 13-11, and eventually settled at 13-11. Chew led 1-0, but Yong regained service and then jumped to a 3-1 lead. Chew after service had changed hands several times, drew up to 3-11. Brilliant angled shots gave Yong the two necessary points for the set.

The third game, after the long interval, opened with Chew going into a 7-0 lead. Yong, however, drew up to 7-10, and went on to lead at 13-10. From 13-10 Yong went up to 14-12 before they began that series of duels which gave such excitement. Chew threw everything he knew into the game, and slowly and amid a tense atmosphere drew up to 14-11.

They settled, and Chew took the first point. It was the end of his magnificent rally, however, for it was a very spent player who endeavoured to stave off defeat through those last three points. Yong took them in a row. The shuttle for the last point fell short on the left of the court, but Chew, mid-court and on the right, made no effort for it. The remaining match last night was played at Talkoo. P. H. Wong and Miss W. Cheung beat J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 15-12, 15-3.

## CURRENCY PROBLEM

### Japan May Have To Adopt Barter System

TOKYO, Mar. 14 (UP).—Local bankers to-day indicated that radical changes in Japanese trade practices may become necessary owing to the Yen rising rapidly in relation to the Pound Sterling as a result of the fall in the value of British currency on the New York market.

The Yen is quoted at 1/2 1/4 having advanced 12 points, or 1/2 pence, since yesterday. Bankers pointed out that the rise of Yen in relation to Pound Sterling would have an adverse effect on Japanese trade with Pound bloc countries, which, until now, has shown a balance favourable to Japan.

**Deterioration Fears**  
They said that while United States Dollars can still be purchased with Pounds on the New York market by the Japanese Exchange Banks, any further deterioration of the Pound will result in more strict British exchange control measures which could easily make the Pound-Dollar rule nominal because of the absence of business. This would compel the Japanese Exchange Banks to adopt a new basis for computing relative values between the Yen and Pound.

This value is at present based on the London-New York cross rate, and the Yen having been linked with the United States Dollar since October 24, 1939.

They said that further tightening of British exchange control measures may lead to the prohibition of payments, thereby isolating the Pound within the British Empire.

In such a contingency Japan's trade with Pound bloc countries would be conducted by barter banks.

## U.S. STEAMSHIP COYS. INDICTED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BROOKLYN, Mar. 14 (UP).—The Maritime Commission has opened the hearing to determine whether the seven steamship lines, who are members of the Japan-Atlantic Coast Freight Conference, have violated the rate and transportation agreements and filed misstatements. Seven members of the trans-Pacific Freight-Conference of Japan will be heard later.

The violations alleged include shipping part wool goods as cotton and imitation pearls as glass.

## Frenzied Welcome For Gandhi

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

RAMGARH, Mar. 14 (UP).—Garbed in a simple loin cloth, Mr. Gandhi arrived by rail at night and was greeted by the retiring President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad. The committee included the Indian nightingale poetess Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, well known in the United States.

Mr. Gandhi was cheered delightedly by thousands as he left by motor car for Congress headquarters.

## HEAVY SNOWFALL IN HOLLAND

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Snow has prevented the resumption of air services between Berlin and Amsterdam.

Nine inches of snow have fallen in some parts of Holland.

Owing to traffic dislocation, few members reached Parliament to-day and no quorum could be formed. The sitting was postponed.

## Polish Air Force Nearly Ready

PARIS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—General Sikorski, the Polish Prime Minister, announced to-day that the first Polish Air Squadron would soon join the French Air Force at the front.

Soon afterwards he said that Polish infantry units would follow.

## New Promise To Czechs

### Restoration Of Freedom Pledged By Halifax

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—A message from Lord Halifax, to the Czechs, broadcast in the Czech news to-day, recalls that on March 15 a year will have passed since Hitler occupied Prague, thereby "destroying all faith in the pledged word of himself and his Government."

#### Allies' High Purpose

This act was less brutal than the rule of terror which followed, but all attempts had failed to devour the economic and spiritual life of the Czech people.

The message concludes: "It is with a firm resolve to restore your freedom that the governments and the peoples of the British Empire have taken up arms with the Allies. Their high purpose is to right the wrongs you have suffered and to create a new Europe in which the recurrence of such an event would be made impossible."

## Tinned Fruits Import Ban

### Safeguard Measure

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Tinned and all bottled fruits have been added to the list of goods which may not be imported into Great Britain except under licence.

It is stated that there are very large stocks in the country, and imports have greatly increased since the war, largely from the United States.

It has, therefore, become necessary to control imports in order to conserve exchange.

It will also have the effect of saving tonnage and preventing the accumulation of unnecessarily large stocks.

## TURKISH PRESS BACKS ALLIES

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Referring to the revelation of the device rendering magnetic mines harmless, the Turkish paper, "Cumhuriyet," observes: "Germany has probably overlooked the fact that Britain is her equal in the scientific field."

## STOCK EXCHANGE THWARTS NAZIS

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—According to the "Financial Times," steps have been taken to put an end to the machinery of the British Stock Exchange being used for the disposal of securities, principally bearer bonds, on behalf of enemy interests.

Germany acquired large quantities of securities by the seizure of Poland and Czechoslovakia, and there is evidence that a considerable amount of them are disposed of in Britain through neutral channels.

Yesterday the Stock Exchange Committee issued a strongly-worded warning to members to be on guard against attempts at such disposals and reminded them of the penalties.

## Canadian Soldiers Go To The Poll

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Canadian soldiers in Britain started to register their votes yesterday.

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RO20280	Ninon.	Jan Klepura.
RO20301	Madonna.	(In German).
RO20315	La Danza.	Jan Klepura. (In Italian).
RO20315	L'italiana in Algeria.	Conchita Supervia. (In Italian).
RO20315	Bell Song. "Lakme"	Lily Pons. (In French).
RO20315	Barcarole de Scullin.	Lily Pons. (In French).
RO20315	Il Bacio. (The Kiss)	Maria Cebatan. (In German).
RO20315	Parla. Waltz.	(In German).

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## LATE NEWS

## SHE ESCAPED TWO DISASTERS

SIGNORA IRENE FORERO, one of the survivors of the Dutch steamer Simon Bolivar, mined on November 18 last year, went ashore at Genoa—saved from another sea disaster.

With her husband and small daughter she was on her way to Bogota in the Italian liner Orazio when it caught fire in the Mediterranean on a recent Sunday.

She was among the 318 passengers and crew which the Italian rescue ship Conte Biancamano landed at Genoa.

From the blazing Orazio an officer had taken her child off in a lifeboat. In the confusion she lost her husband.

Soon after she reached land she found that they, too, were rescued.

They were landed at Genoa from the Colombo, which had rescued 173 people.

Figures issued that day by the Orazio's owners showed that 47 passengers and 60 members of the crew were still missing.

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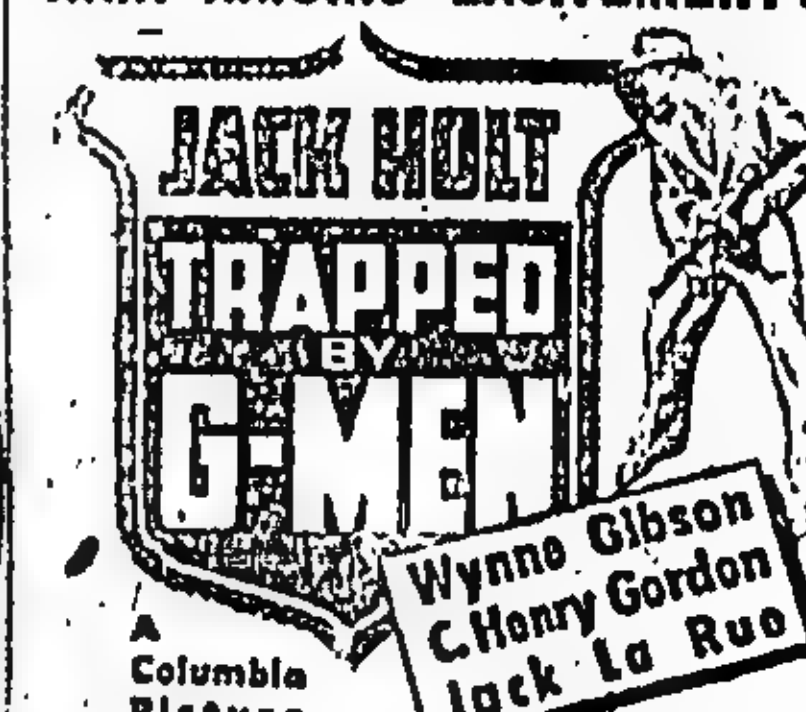
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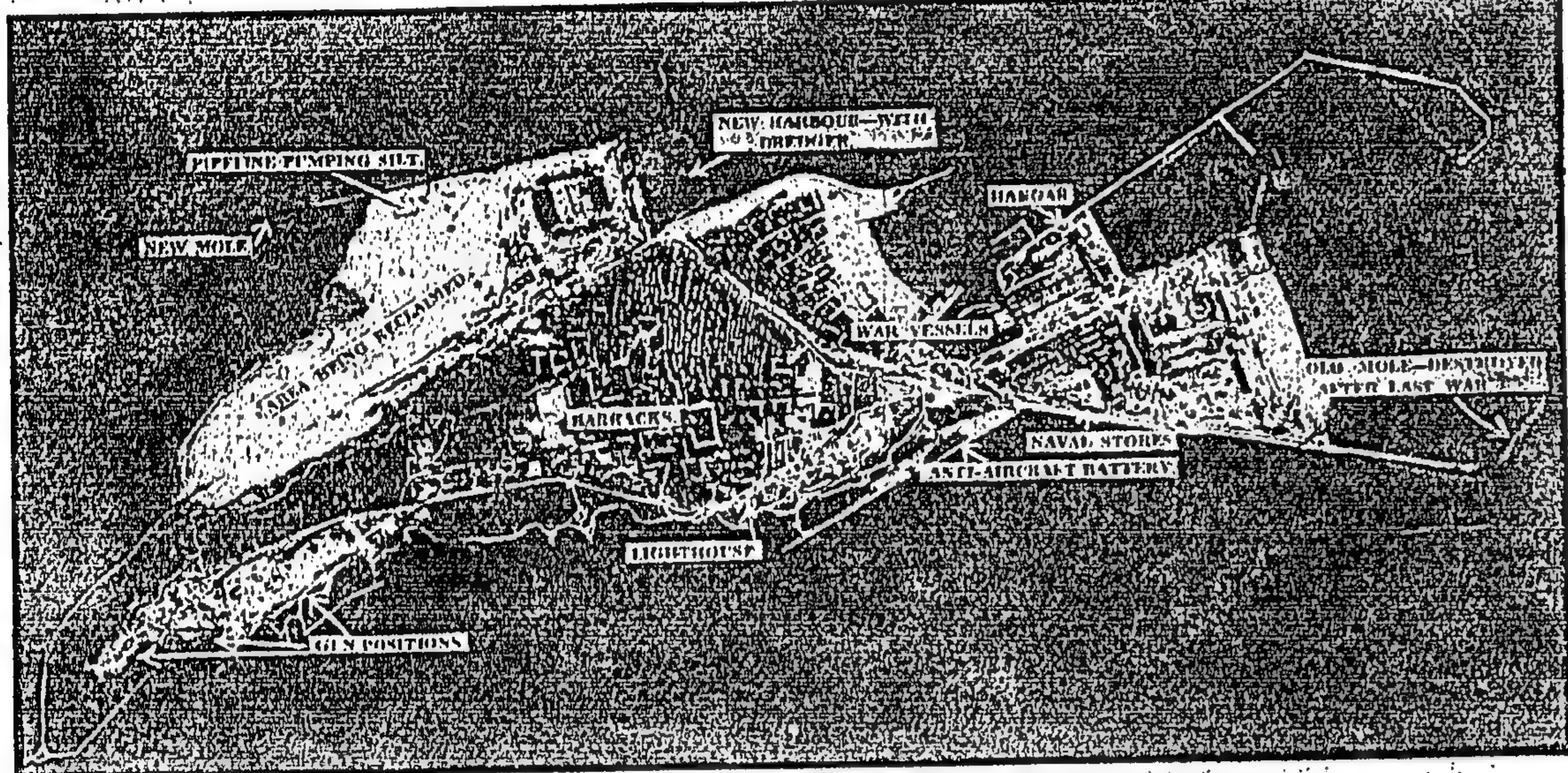
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## TRAGIC AFTERMATH OF RUSSIA'S TERMS

### THOUSANDS START MASS MIGRATION FROM RED ZONE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
HELSINGFORS, MARCH 15 (UP).—FINLAND HAS JOINED THE MOUNTING LIST OF NATIONS WHOSE POPULATIONS HAVE BEEN DISPLACED AS A RESULT OF WAR OR POGROMS IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS—A MASS DISPLACEMENT SUCH AS THE WORLD HAS NEVER BEFORE KNOWN.

China, the Jews, Czecho-Slovakia, Spain, Finland—millions of people from these and other countries have lost everything they held dear. Discomforts attributable to temporary evacuations from cities like London and Paris become insignificant in the misery they create compared to what is happening in Finland as a result of the Russian peace terms.

500,000 LOSE HOMES

Trains, trucks and horse-drawn sledges are already awheel, bearing 100,000 old men, women, girls and boys out of the areas which have been ceded to the Soviet.

At least four times that number have been rendered homeless by the war, either as a result of the cession of territory or through aerial bombardment and shell-fire. Viborg, which was Finland's second largest city and now becomes the capital of a new Soviet Republic, is a shell of its former self. It is completely deserted and its 80,000 inhabitants will never return.

M. Juho Koivisto, the Finnish Minister in Charge of Evacuation, said: "Our people have been forced to leave their homes where, in many cases, generation after generation lived for centuries. They developed traditions and affections which can never be replaced."

Russians Retiring

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 15 (Reuter).—Russian troops have been retiring from the Petsamo region since yesterday morning. Yesterday morning Russian troops in the Karelian Isthmus entered the ruins of Viborg.

No Pressure

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 15 (Reuter).—The Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, M. Koivisto, stated yesterday that no pressure was being brought on Finnish families to leave the areas ceded to Russia but none had wanted to live under the Soviet regime.

An immense task had to be faced and there were grave economic and social problems ahead. Every effort would be made in re-establishing the evacuated families and to keep old neighbours in close association.

Finland's Economic Losses

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Attempts are now being made to assess the economic aspects of Finland's new frontier.

One fifth of her exports went through Viborg and a further ten per cent. through Hangö. The territory lost in Karelia includes many woodpulp factories and saw mills.

Re-settlement Problem  
There is also the problem of re-settling Finns who do not want to stay in the territories ceded to Russia. Their number is estimated at about 400,000.

All available cars and lorries have been requisitioned to help in this work to resettle the people. The Finnish Aid Committee has called for hundreds of volunteers and relief workers. Sweden will give 218,000,000. PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

## U.S. Naval Dept. Modifies Plans For 45,000-ton Super-Battleship

### STOCK EXCHANGE WARNING

LONDON, Mar. 14 (UP).—A Committee of the Stock Exchange caused a sensation to-day by posting the following notice warning members.

"There is reason to believe that enemy interests are making strenuous efforts to realize securities here; members must use the utmost care before executing orders coming from neutral sources."

### HITLER'S PERFIDY

Amazing Revelations In  
White Paper

LONDON, Mar. 15, (Reuter).—A Polish White Paper reveals that a joint attack by Germany and Poland upon the Soviet Ukraine was the first suggestion by Marshal Goering to President Pilsudski in 1935.

The Polish leader rejected the invitation. The same venture was raised by Hitler personally during his conversation with Colonel Beck, the former Polish Foreign Minister.

Of this conversation, Col. Beck gives a full account.

Hitler promised that in return for Poland's aid, all German claims upon Poland would be dropped.

### Tinned Fruits Import Ban

Safeguard Measure

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Tinned and all bottled fruits have been added to the list of goods which may not be imported into Great Britain except under licence.

It is stated that there are very large stocks in the country, and imports have greatly increased since the war, largely from the United States.

It has, therefore, become necessary to control imports in order to conserve exchange. It will also have the effect of saving tonnage and preventing the accumulation of unnecessarily large stocks.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Mar. 14 (Domei).—A Washington despatch to the "New York Times" says that the laying down of the new 45,000-ton battleship Iowa, the first super battleship to be constructed by the American Navy in excess of the Washington Treaty limits, has been delayed.

Modifications in its plan have become necessary in view of recent trends in the European war.

According to the report, the new battleship will be laid down on June 15 and will not be completed until 1944.

Sweeping changes have taken place in the original plan, especially in that part affecting the interior below the waterline in view of the heavy damage allegedly sustained by H.M.S. Royal Oak and other ships in torpedo attacks.

Under the revised plan, the armour plates in the interior will be made thicker and the bulkheads will be made lighter. The sister ship of the Iowa, the New Jersey, is also likely to be laid down a little later than original schedule, the paper further reports.

### Reds Blame Allies

Provocateurs Caused  
War With Finland

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 14 (UP).—Russian troops entered Viborg yesterday and held mass meetings to celebrate their "victory and peace," according to the Moscow radio.

It is all quiet along the front to-day, with peaceful troops assembling for similar meetings.

Allies As Instigators

Speakers expressed gratitude to the Soviet Government for "securing the safety of Leningrad," and indignantly referred to the French and British as instigators of the war.

"Once more," they declared, "the Anglo-French provocateurs have failed."

One speaker addressing Russian soldiers said: "We have shattered their plans and they know now what awaits them if they try it again."

### Attack On Mayor And His Wife

SHANGHAI, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Chen Ching, Mayor of Tientsin, East Chekiang and his wife were recently attacked by unidentified men and seriously wounded, says the "Sin Wan Pao."

### Bucharest Sensation

Rumania's Richest Man  
Sent To Prison

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Mar. 14 (UP).

A first-class sensation has been created in Rumania with the conviction of Max Ausnit, known as Rumania's richest man, for fraud.

Ausnit has been sentenced to six years' imprisonment, the loss of his citizenship for an additional four years, and a fine of 4,000 lei.

He has also been ordered to return the French bonds taken from the Reshita Company of which he was a director.

## Three Nordic States To Discuss New Treaty

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OSLO, Mar. 14 (UP).—The Foreign Office spokesman confirms that Norway has agreed to negotiate a defensive military alliance with Sweden and Finland.

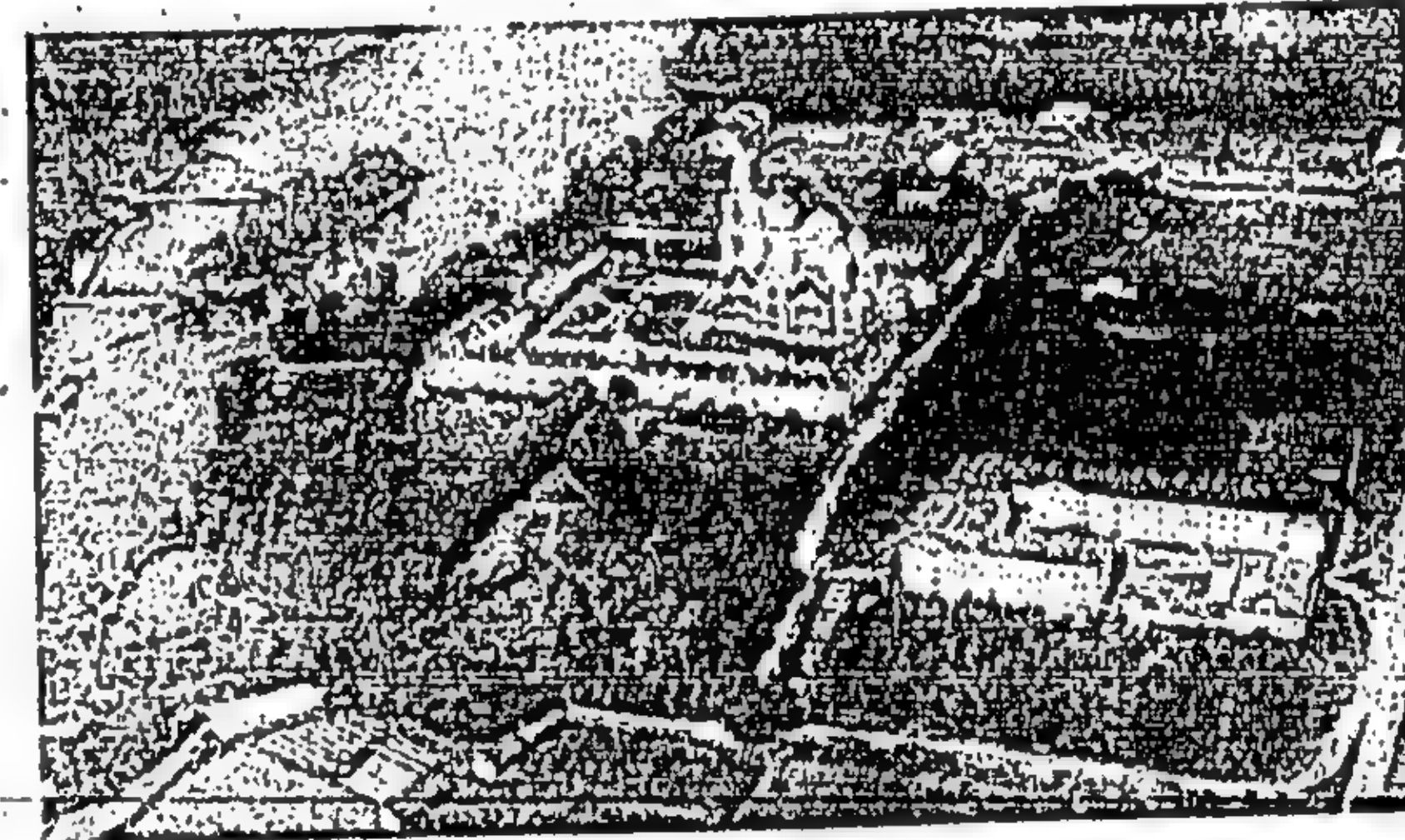
M. Tanner, the Finnish Foreign Minister, has asked M. Koht, the Norwegian Foreign Minister, to negotiate. M. Koht immediately replied in the affirmative.

No definite place has yet been fixed but the negotiations will be held in the near future.

Denmark To Stay Out

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—It is expected that Norway, Sweden and Finland will confer on a defensive alliance as soon as Finland withdraws her troops to the new frontiers and signs the final peace documents.

The alliance will be a defensive one only, so as not to break Finland's



## Monks in Ancient Lake Monastery Homeless

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

RIGA, Mar. 15 (UP).—The famous Walama Monastery on a tiny island in Lake Ladoga, which now becomes part of pagan Russia, is to evacuate to Estonia.

The Estonian Greek Orthodox Church has invited the monks from the monastery to make their home at the Petric Monastery in Estonia.

The Walama Monastery is the Finnish headquarters of the Greek Orthodox Church. Within its walls are numerous priceless religious relics and treasures which are already being moved to safety.

## Unemployed To Benefit

Increased Allowances  
From Fund's Surplus

LONDON, Mar. 14 (UP).

Although they anticipated a deficit during 1939 of £8,250,000, the trustees of the Employment Insurance Fund report a surplus of £16,600,000, which they attributed mainly to the fact that re-armament activity had absorbed many unemployed.

From the accumulated balance of £27,000,000 the trustees propose to pay off a debt amounting to £27,000,000, thus annually saving £1,000,000.

This saving will be utilized to pay unemployed families an additional shilling a week on behalf of each of the first two children, whose total allowance will then be four shillings a week instead of three.

On the grounds that a post-war slump will require the fullest employment, the trustees have rejected the Trade Union request for a distribution of last year's surplus.

## Foreign Planes Over Denmark

ESBNERG, Mar. 14 (UP).—The foreign planes flew over Esbjerg to-day. Danish anti-aircraft guns were brought into action.

## Viborg Area To Become Republic

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (Domei).—It is reported here that the Soviet Government has decided to make a new People's Republic of the territory in southern Finland which has been ceded to Russia under the peace treaty.

Viborg will be its capital and the area will formally be incorporated into the U.S.S.R.

## Spratley Islands To Stay Japanese

Japan's Warning  
Against Blockade  
Of Vladivostok

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Mar. 14 (Domei).—"No question can arise regarding the title to Spratley Islands, which the Japanese Government on March 30 of last year declared incorporated into Japanese territory and placed under the administration of the Government-General of Formosa," the Navy Office spokesman said.



THIS MAP illustrates the strategic importance of the Spratley Islands, which lie midway between Hong Kong, Singapore, Manila and French Indo-China. France claims jurisdiction over the islands.

to-day, when asked whether the question of Spratley Islands would be taken up in the projected Franco-Japanese talks.

The Yunnan Railway service is PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

## LATEST

### Ribbentrop Proposes Alliance

BELGRADE, March 14 (Domei).—A high official of the Yugo-Slav Government to-day revealed that von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, has proposed to Signor Mussolini the formation of an extensive economic federation comprising the Soviet Union, Germany, Italy, and various countries in Central, Southern and Eastern Europe.

According to the informant, Signor Mussolini showed a cautious attitude, withholding any definite reply in favour of or against the proposed economic federation.

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## 1,496,000 TONS LOST, KOBE SURVEY CLAIMS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

KOBE, Mar. 15 (Domest.)—The sinking of merchant ships in European waters continued at a high rate in February, according to a survey by a local shipping concern.

Though the number of ships lost in February was somewhat less than that in December or January, their tonnage showed a record high of 277,955 tons. This brings the total of ships lost since the outbreak of the war to 1,496,010 tons, the survey states.

Sixty-nine ships were sunk in February, making the total number of ships lost since the beginning of the war 375.

In six months of war the monthly average of ships lost is given as 60 to 61, with a tonnage of 240,420.

Of 370 ships that have gone to the bottom 324, aggregating 1,039,145 tons, were freighters, 30, totalling 237,485 tons, were tankers, and 20, with a tonnage of 219,880 tons, were passenger ships.

## KING WITH THE DOVER PATROL

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The King to-day spent several hours inspecting the Dover Patrol.

Vice-Admiral Ramsay explained the work of the patrol, and the King talked to the officers, and men who man the destroyers, trawlers, paddle steamers and other craft, that keep the narrow seas clear and safe for the passage of British ships.

His Majesty boarded a vessel fitted with the latest equipment for dealing with magnetic mines, and decorated six naval ratings.

## A MILLION PEOPLE HOMELESS

Shocking Plight Of Finnish Evacuees

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" COPENHAGEN, Mar. 14 (UP).—A Stockholm report says there are 1,000,000 people homeless in Finland of which number, 450,000 are evacuees from ceded territory.

About 550,000 are homeless due to the bombings in Helsinki and other cities and villages.

It is reported that many are living in holes in the ground in the forests.

Hangover Evacuation Begins

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 14 (UP).—The evacuation of Hangoe Island, which must be ceded to Russia by March 22, began to-day.

This will probably represent Finland's most difficult evacuation problem.

Efforts will be made to settle the evacuees as soon as possible in order to return to normal peacetime work and make up for the time lost during the war.

500,000 To Lose Homes

HELSINGFORS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—It is estimated that 500,000 people will be turned out of their homes as the result of the Russo-Finnish Treaty.

There are only 100,000 civilians at present in the affected areas as the others have been evacuated.

The first group of inhabitants returning to Viborg, to collect their belongings left Helsinki to-day in special trains and cars provided by the Government.

Help Promised

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—President Kaali of Finland, in a telegram to Mr. Herbert Hoover thanking him for the help given to Finland by the Hoover Relief Committee, stated that the civil population in the regions ceded would be transferred to the Finnish Republic.

Mr. Hoover, in reply, expressed the American peoples' deep sympathy and said that his organisation would continue to do all it could for the benefit of the Finnish people.

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" CALCUTTA, Mar. 14 (UP).—Simultaneously with the arrival of Mr. Chaudhri, at the Ramgarh Congress it was announced that the Moslem League had completed its arrangements to hold a similar Congress at Lahore beginning March 20, and lasting several days.

The Moslem Congress will be attended by 60,000 Moslems including the Premiers of Bengal, Punjab and Assam, and also by Mohammed Ali Jinnah the League President.

The League is expected to draft a resolution of solidarity with Great Britain in view of the war. The League represents 9,000,000 Moslems in India.

Defence Parleys In Capetown

CAPETOWN, Mar. 14 (UP).—It is announced here that the Commander in Chief of the British Forces in the Near East, Sir Archibald Wavell, is flying to Capetown for a defence conference with South African officials.

To Meet General Smuts

CAPE TOWN, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief of the British troops in the Middle East, will meet General Jan Smuts and South African military leaders at Cape Town this week.

He is travelling by air and has already conferred with the military leaders of Kenya and Rhodesia.

## WAR AFTERMATH

## FINLAND RECEIVES WORLD SYMPATHY

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—As was to be expected the Finnish-Russian peace treaty has aroused world-wide comment.

There is universal sympathy here for the Finns and praise for their gallant fight against heavy odds.

Deep regret is expressed at the fact that another brutal aggression has brought success to the aggressor.

There is a tendency to ask whether or not the Allies might have done more to aid the Finns.

This was answered, however, by the Finnish Foreign Minister on Wednesday when he said that the Allies were ready but that Norway and Sweden had refused to allow passage of troops through their territory.

But whatever the attitude of Norway and Sweden could the Allies have done more to save Finland?

People are also asking about the future of Scandinavia, now that Finland has given up her main defence lines at Hangoe and Russia has free transit facilities to the Norwegian and Swedish borders.

On the latter point, Sweden will ask Russia to explain her intentions. Norway will seek a clarification of a clause in the peace agreement giving free passage for Soviet goods through the Petsamo area to Norway.

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The League is expected to draft a resolution of solidarity with Great Britain in view of the war. The League represents 9,000,000 Moslems in India.

Defence Parleys In Capetown

CAPETOWN, Mar. 14 (UP).—It is announced here that the Commander in Chief of the British Forces in the Near East, Sir Archibald Wavell, is flying to Capetown for a defence conference with South African officials.

To Meet General Smuts

CAPE TOWN, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief of the British troops in the Middle East, will meet General Jan Smuts and South African military leaders at Cape Town this week.

He is travelling by air and has already conferred with the military leaders of Kenya and Rhodesia.

New Premises For Famed Newspaper

LUCKNOW, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—One of India's oldest newspapers, the "Pioneer", moved into a new building here yesterday. The premises were opened by the Governor of the United Provinces.

Mr. Winston Churchill sent a congratulatory message as an old war correspondent of the paper. Other notable contributors to the paper have included the late Rudyard Kipling.

C.B.S. DISPLAY

On account of the inclement weather the Annual Physical Training Display which was to have been given by pupils of the Central British School to-day, has been postponed until Tuesday, March 19 at 6 p.m.

## BELGIUM BITTER

Papers' Contempt And Hatred For Russia

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The satisfaction expressed in certain Belgian papers yesterday over the Russo-Finnish peace has now disappeared.

Considerable bitterness is generally felt but all the papers pay tribute to Finland and have nothing but contempt and hatred for Russia.

The "Nation Belge" and "Libre Belgique" both point out the German responsibility.

Germany Responsible

The "Nation Belge" appeared with headlines which read: "Finland is the victim of Germany as much as of Russia" and "Fearing Germany the Scandinavian States pressed Finland to accept the Soviet terms. Thus the Reich helped to subject the Russian yoke on to a country which in 1918 she helped to rid of Red troops."

The "Libre Belgique" says, "Germany bears the bulk of responsibility for the tragedy. She prevented any efficient aid being sent to these small valiant people whom twenty years ago she helped to win their independence."

Once again Hitler, the founder, inspirer and still the leader of the anti-Communist front, contributes an extension to Bolshevism in Europe."

United States Criticised

The chief criticism of the "Independence Belge" is directed against the United States.

After pointing out that Sweden, France, Britain and Italy contributed aid, the paper adds, "But America, on whom the Finns especially counted, granted a few million dollars but provided that this money was not to be devoted to war materials."

The paper adds: "No one has a right to reproach the Allies for non-intervention in Finland."

The "Albion" says: "Hitler wanted to profit from the Italian and British differences in order to realise his own ends but the British Government destroyed these hopes. The solution of the coal problem stripped Ribbentrop's visit to Rome of all value."

GOVERNMENT CRITICISED

Secret Session Of French Parliament

PARIS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The Senate to-day unanimously agreed to go into secret session after the arrival of M. Daladier and ten other Cabinet Ministers.

M. Daladier declared that the Government accepted an immediate discussion on Finland but desired to defer discussion on the conduct of the war until next week.

Criticism of the Government's handling of the Finnish situation is believed to be among the matters voiced at the secret session, which lasted three and a quarter hours.

The session was adjourned until to-morrow.

In some quarters, it is even believed that some Cabinet changes may result, possibly including the appointment of a Foreign Minister, one of the three posts now held by M. Daladier.

Minister, Foreign Minister and Minister for Defence.

Stock Market Rallies

Rubber Is Depressed

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—After a quiet session, some evidence of a rallying tendency was visible in the final stages at the Stock Exchange to-day.

Glittered securities closed above the day's lowest, while home rails recovered to round about the opening levels.

The early decline of Indian Government bonds was halted during the afternoon.

Of the commodities, rubber and tin were easier, mainly owing to United States consumers holding off as their requirements are believed to be covered.

Rubber was further depressed by liquidation.

Wall Street was irregular.

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TO-DAY at the QUEEN'S

TO-MORROW at the ALHAMBRA

Stock Exchange Warning

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The following notice was posted up by the London Stock Exchange Committee to-day:

"There is reason to believe that German interests are making strenuous efforts to sell securities in London. Stock Exchange members are advised to use the utmost care before accepting orders coming from neutral sources."

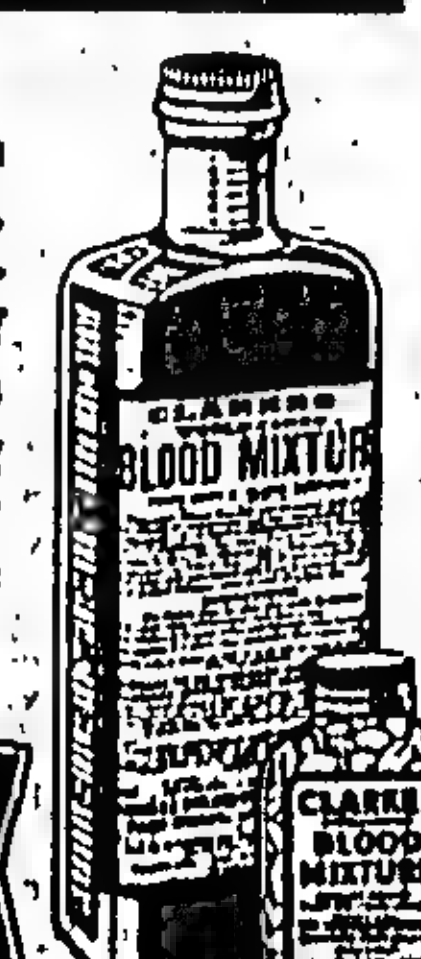
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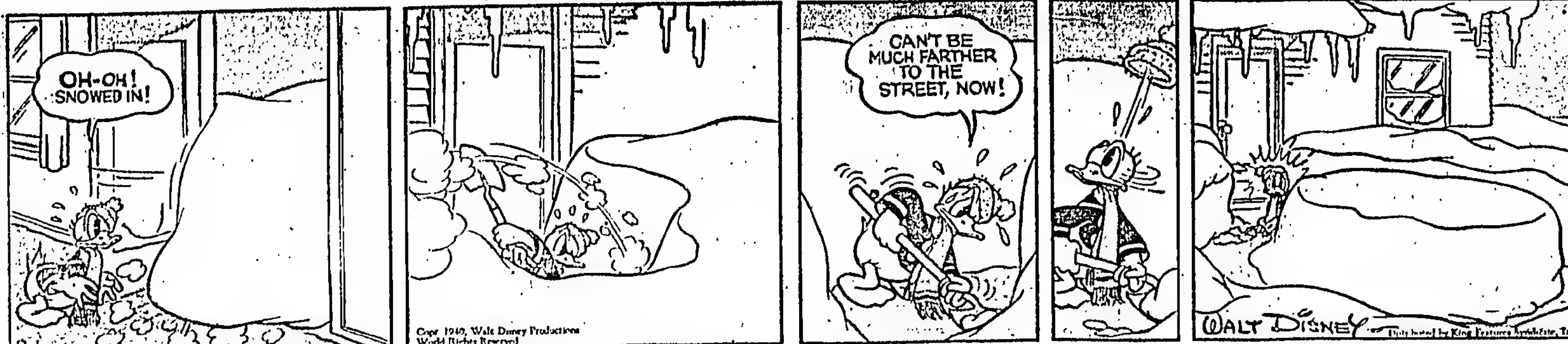
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## London War Diary

First Lord at Manchester. Mr. Rex Leeper.  
Westward's Owner. Canadian French.

MR. CHURCHILL was at the top of his form on Saturday, and as the "Litho" revealed, had a great reception from his Lancashire audience.

He may well have felt that, in a political sense, his foot was on his native soil. He contested Oldham as a Conservative in 1922 and won it in 1929. In the 1935 election he stood as a Liberal for the Conservative stronghold of North West Manchester and won a victory that was remarkable even in that land.

He was then Under-Secretary for the Colonies in the new Liberal Administration. When in 1932 he became President of the Board of Trade he had to face a difficult by-election under the old rule that an M.P. on becoming a Cabinet Minister had to resign his seat and seek re-election.

He put up a great fight, but was beaten by Sir William Joynton-Hicks, afterwards Lord Broomfield.

## Telephonic Diplomacy?

I WAS amused to see that some Sunday papers yesterday fell into the same mistake as the Home radio. This was that Mr. Rex Leeper had long talks with Mr. Anselme, the Humanist Minister for National Economy. If so, they must have been by telephone.

For Mr. Leeper, though appointed as Minister in Churchill's last August, has never taken up his post. Our Minister who has been conferring with the Rumanian Government on the question of oil exports is Sir Reginald Hoare, whom Mr. Leeper is to have relieved. Mr. Leeper is in charge of a department of the Foreign Office created to deal with certain problems arising out of the war. It has its headquarters not in Downing Street but in a rural district where rationing is less liable to interruption than in Whitehall.

Its exact whereabouts are a secret. One of its members told me confidentially it was near the place where the three countries of Wiltshire, Dorset and Suffolk meet.

## South African Yachtsman

MR. T. B. DAVIS, the South African millionaire who has given £100,000 for the service, is a native of Jersey. Going to sea when a boy, he was wrecked and his father, who was a shipowner, was killed.

Some Scandinavian sailors picked him up and he was taken to Sweden. Many years afterwards, when he had amassed great wealth, he sought out his rescuers and their families, who by that time were widely scattered.

## Made His Own Racing Sails

HE sailed the seas as a merchant captain and made a fortune in whaling before he came to the South African coast. In the last decade of King George V's reign he became a notable figure at Cowes, racing his pleasure boat against the schooner "Westward" against the King's Britannia.

Mr. Davis is eminently a practical yachtsman. With his own crew in Jersey he personally made all the racing sails of the "Westward," a job quite unique in racing.

Merry racing days aboard "Westward" were a feature of many Cowes Weeks. Admirals, peers, and millionaires, sailors, Boy Scouts, soldiers and landlubbers would all be a-buzzing on the main sheet and shouting at the helmsman as the great ship was doing her 13 knots through Cowes Roads.

I have seen as many as 40 together, and "T. B." at the wheel, an eccentric and a more a silent host.

## A Pro-Reith Decision

I FIND I was wrong in giving the credit to Sir John Reith for the decision of the Ministry of Information to send papers by air to Paris for transmission to countries beyond France.

Early in November the Ministry decided that newspapers should be flown to Paris in order to speed up the time of their arrival in Italy, the Balkans, Spain and Portugal. Another newspaper aeroplane service was then arranged for Scandinavia.

At the time only the latter could be put into effect. Now that the machines are available, the Paris service to-day becomes an accomplished fact.

## A Kitchener Precedent

SIR ARCHIBALD SINCLAIR was able to quote an interesting precedent yesterday in support of suggestions made to the Prime Minister. These were that in future private speeches by members of the War Cabinet should be confined to the 1922 Committee of Conservative backbenchers.

He recalled that Lord Kitchener had addressed a private meeting of M.P.s of all parties when he was War Secretary. It was the last speech Lord Kitchener made. He met a gathering of M.P.s on June 2, 1914. Three days later he was lost in the Hampshire.

So keen were M.P.s to take advantage of opportunity that the meeting had to be transferred from the War Office to one of the parliamentary committee rooms. Socialist Mr. Will Crooks moved the vote of thanks.

## The Boy Father of the Man

THERE was a very representative gathering at the lunch to Mr. Gordon Selfridge yesterday. Lord Ashfield, who presided in the unavoidable absence of Lord Beaverbrook, made a very graceful speech in proposing the health of the guest.

In his reply, Mr. Selfridge recalled one of his earliest ventures in business. As a boy, he and a friend, equally precocious, started a monthly magazine. It was the business manager and obtained from the local dentist a 25 cent advertisement, but failed to collect the money.

In order that the firm should not be the loser he squared the account by getting the dentist to extract a perfectly sound tooth which, said Mr. Selfridge, "I miss to this day."

Retirement for Mr. Selfridge does not mean idleness, though he has resigned his active part in the firm to continue his working. And I am sure he will.

## Poetry from the Throne

THE Emperor of Japan very rarely speaks his own thoughts to his people. His edicts and his speeches are the work of the poet who is framed by his Ministers.

A subject, however, that the authentic voice of the "Imperial Son of Heaven" in his poem which is read at the New Year Imperial poetry gathering, read yesterday in that at the beginning of the year "we pray the gods to grant the people peace and prosperity."

This poetry party draws the throne and the people very close together for another reason. Any of the Emperor's subjects are allowed to compete, the five best poems being chosen for reading. This year there were over 35,000 entries.

The psychological influence of the Emperor's poem on his people can hardly be exaggerated.

## Romantic Royal Centenary

ADMIRAL MARK KERR's interests in the later stages of the last war were devoted mainly to the air. It was, I believe, owing to his statement in 1917 of the case for a separate Air Ministry that the Cabinet decided on the creation of the R.A.F.

The Admiral retired from the Navy and R.A.F. in 1918. He has now returned to his first service and is acting as liaison officer in charge of the Auxiliary Naval Hospital.

One of many interests, one being the theatre, he hopes to find time from his duties next week to come to London to provide over the contents of a lecture on the marriage of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert. This is being held on Feb. 10 at the Dorchester.

The celebration has been arranged by Constance Bredley, the authoress, who has many plays to her credit, as a gesture of thanks to the Royal family for their interest in and support for the theatre.

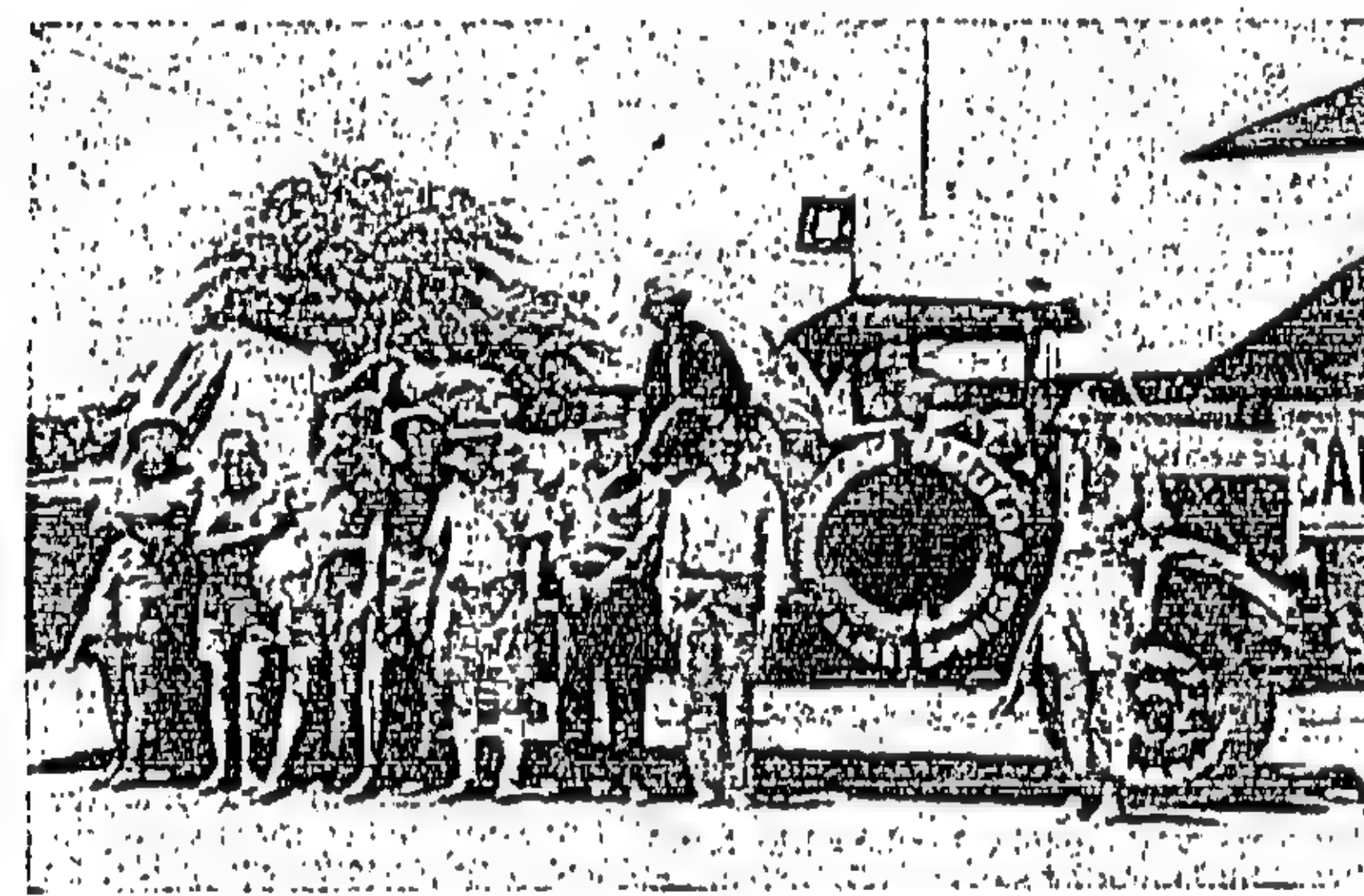
The object is also to make known the many difficulties under which the theatre is working in war-time.

## Caledonia Stern and Wild

THE Nazi secret service is said to be in trouble for not having reported the existence of a newly formed Scottish regiment. The German High Command first learnt of the existence of the Caledonian Highlanders from a London paper.

KILKENNY.

## NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

A New Daily Feature for the Australian  
naval units in Far Eastern waters.

VOLUNTEERS FROM ALICE SPRINGS.—The first ten volunteers from Alice Springs, Central Australia, ready to depart for Darwin, a 1,000 mile journey. Six of this group, who enlisted for service overseas, will have to travel at least a further 3,000 miles before arriving at a training camp.

## BUILDING OF SHIPS

ADELAIDE.—Two thousand men will be employed if the Broken Hill, Pty., Co., Ltd., carries out its plan to build ships at Whyalla, near the head of Spencer Gulf. Ships of more than 1500 tons may be built.

The Minister for Customs (Senator McLeay) said recently that a hint to this effect had been given by the company, but no details had been released. He believed that a start would be made on construction of the works soon.

Whyalla would be an excellent site for it was in the "safety zone" of Australia. It was not expected that the company would have any difficulty in securing sufficient skilled men for the work in Australia. The project had a great defence value.

Apart from the huge outlay of capital on the shipbuilding industry at Whyalla, expenditure on harbour deepening and extension works already well in hand, would amount to £2,000,000, said the Premier (Mr. Playford).

## FORGED "FIVERS"

SYDNEY.—Forged £5 notes were passed in Sydney and Melbourne recently. Police believe that their prompt action frustrated an attempt to flood both States with counterfeit money. More than 100 notes, declared by the police to be forgeries, were recovered during the afternoon from hotels, shops, and Randwick racecourse.

In Sydney police detained nine men and a woman. The police wireless station spent almost the whole afternoon broadcasting a description of suspects, who, the announcer said, were using cars and taxis. Urban patrols were directed by radio where to go.

Bookmakers at Randwick and Moonah Valley were warned to be alert, because it was discovered that counterfeit notes were being circulated there.

## "TRACKED SCOUT CARRIER"

MELBOURNE.—Australian Army experts are designing a new vehicle, a "tracked scout carrier," which will be capable of taking a heavily armed crew, over most difficult ground rapidly, and enable men to take up a vantage point when under direct enemy fire. It is hoped to begin the production of these vehicles soon.

This was announced by the Minister for the Army in Melbourne on Monday, when he said that tanks were imported, but that armoured reconnaissance cars were made in local factories. Quantity production of machine gun carriers was in hand, and deliveries at a satisfactory rate were expected to begin within a few weeks. The design incorporated a number of unusual features, but apart from engine and transmission units was of local design and construction.

## TALLON'S RECORD

BRISBANE.—Don Tallon, Queensland wicket-keeper, was responsible for a remarkable performance in the Brisbane Cricket Association's fixtures, when he figured in the dismissal of every Toombul batsman. He caught the first three

batsmen behind the wicket, then doffed the gloves and secured the five remaining wickets—Toombul batted two men short—of his own bowling. Another wicket-keeper, his performance was that Pegg, his substitute, gave a brilliant performance behind the wicket to catch two and stump one of Tallon's five victims. La Frans and Locke, each of whom reached the 50's scored 34 for the fourth wicket in 88 minutes. Tallon came from behind the wicket to dismiss them both. This is the first occasion in Brisbane cricket that a wicket-keeper has played the dual role to dismiss a whole side.

Although Don Tallon's feat in sharing the world's record last season for the whole Toombul side is unique for a wicket-keeper, four other players in Brisbane cricket have dismissed a whole team. All are bowlers.

Tallon caught three behind the wickets, and then, taking a turn with the ball, took five wickets for 50. As Toombul batted two short, he shared in the dismissal of the entire team.

Outstanding bowling feat in club cricket is Gil Hardcastle's 10 wickets for 14 runs for Toombul against Valley, on November 24, 1934.

Others to capture all 10 wickets were heads in R. R. Greenham, C. B. Barstow, and Cecil Thompson. All performances were recorded on almost unplayable wickets.

Tallon, as a wicket-keeper, equalled the world's record last season by claiming 12 victims (six in each innings). He also shares a Sheffield Shield record—seven victims in an innings. On five occasions last season he secured six wickets in a single innings.

Tallon previously has done well as a bowler. Last season on two occasions he captured six wickets in an innings, but Pegg kept wickets throughout these innings.

## QUIST CHAMPION

SYDNEY.—The interruption of Ajax's winning sequence in turf events last year caused no bigger surprise than John Bromwich's straight sets defeat by Jack Crawford in the semi-final of the Australian singles championship.

Capping a season which before the match it was impossible to back Bromwich at 15 to 1 on Crawford, played superb tennis, holding the initiative throughout against the title-holder who is 11 years younger.

Wearied by his singles exertions, Crawford offered poor resistance to the closing close of the doubles final with McGrath against Quist—Bromwich, who retained the title, 6-2, 7-5, 6-1.

In the women's doubles, Miss Wynne-Coyne gained their fifth successive victory by defeating Misses Hartigan-Niemeyer, 7-5, 6-2.

Capping a season which included a major part of Australia's Davis Cup success, Adrian Quist won his second national singles title, by defeating Jack Crawford 6-3, 6-0, 6-2.

Quist expected a repetition of Crawford's display against Bromwich and to counter that he lifted his game to a height which he has never reached before. His ground-shot and his usual net

A Look Through  
The "Telegraph"

## 50 YEARS AGO

Mar. 15, 1890.

The St. Patrick's Dance promises to be unusually lively affair this year, between six and seven hundred guests having been invited to honour the memory of "ould Ireland's" patron saint—more power to his elbow. And, as might be expected, the Committee are spending no pains to ensure a pleasant evening for their friends.

The semi-official press in Berlin states that, Prince Bismarck has only deferred his resignation of the Chancellorship, which is owing to the result of the elections, and is regarded as a further proof of the want of acceptance, the Prince and the Emperor William.

## 25 YEARS AGO

Mar. 15, 1935.

"Battle stopped by Mud," says a "Times" headline. This is the first time, we believe, that any material success has attended the attacks of the Ostasiatische Lloyd and Wolff Agency (the German news agencies).

The exhibition of the dead tiger at the city Hall last week was a good one in its way. Hongkong has not been so stirred out of its habitual lethargy since the 1900 typhoon. The war has been nothing to it.

## 10 YEARS AGO

Mar. 15, 1930.

Sir William Peel, the new Governor of Hongkong, in succession to Sir Cecil Clementi, had an audience with His Majesty the King to-day when he kissed hands on his appointment to the Governorship.

## 5 YEARS AGO

Mar. 15, 1935.

Germany's official admission of the necessity of a fighting Air Force is not likely to be accepted in silence in France. It is pointed out that the admission of an intention of the Treaty of Versailles makes it a matter of equal and diplomatic problems which the Quai d'Orsay is examining and introduces into the coming Anglo-German negotiations a new factor which should normally lead the Governments interested to take concerted action in accordance with the agreements reached at Rome and London.

The admission, it is pointed out here, is also a direct contradiction of the Anglo-French communiqué of February 3, which stated that neither Germany nor any other power whose armaments were fixed by the Peace Treaty, has a right to modify its obligations unilaterally.

In a broadcast speech addressed to the people of Japan, Mr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan of the Chinese Government, appealed to the Japanese people for sincere co-operation in carrying out the Great Asianism which he laid down by his father, Sun Yat-sen.

## Killed By Bus

Fatal Accident In  
Kowloon City

Knocked down by a bus in Salung Road, Kowloon City, yesterday, Wong Chu, 30, died on admission to the Kowloon Hospital, after suffering severe injuries.

Leung Chung, 28, was knocked down by a car driven by Lam Kin-luk in Gloucester Road, Wanchai. He was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital with head injuries.

An unknown Chinese was rendered unconscious when he fell off a stationary lorry in Castle Peak Road, Tsunwan. He was taken to the Kowloon Hospital.

Falling off the rails of some steps leading from Moon Street to Wing Lok Lane, Wanchai, yesterday, Wan Lun, 55, fractured his skull and died on admission to the Queen Mary Hospital.

Nazi Vessel Now  
A Prize ShipSPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
KINGSTON, Jamaica, Mar. 14 (UP).—The German steamer Hanover, which its crew attempted to scuttle by setting the ship on fire, was brought into port to-day by a prize crew from a British warship.

rushing game earned him victory. Crawford fought him in every game making the one-sided scores anything but a true reflex of the match. It was backed with entertaining rallies, but never did the crowd of over 4000 have the slightest doubt about the result.

Two factors assisted Quist. They were the failure of Crawford's first service and the uncertainty of his forehand drive.

Miss Nancy Wynne defeated Miss Thelma Coyne 5-7, 6-4, 6-0 in the women's final.

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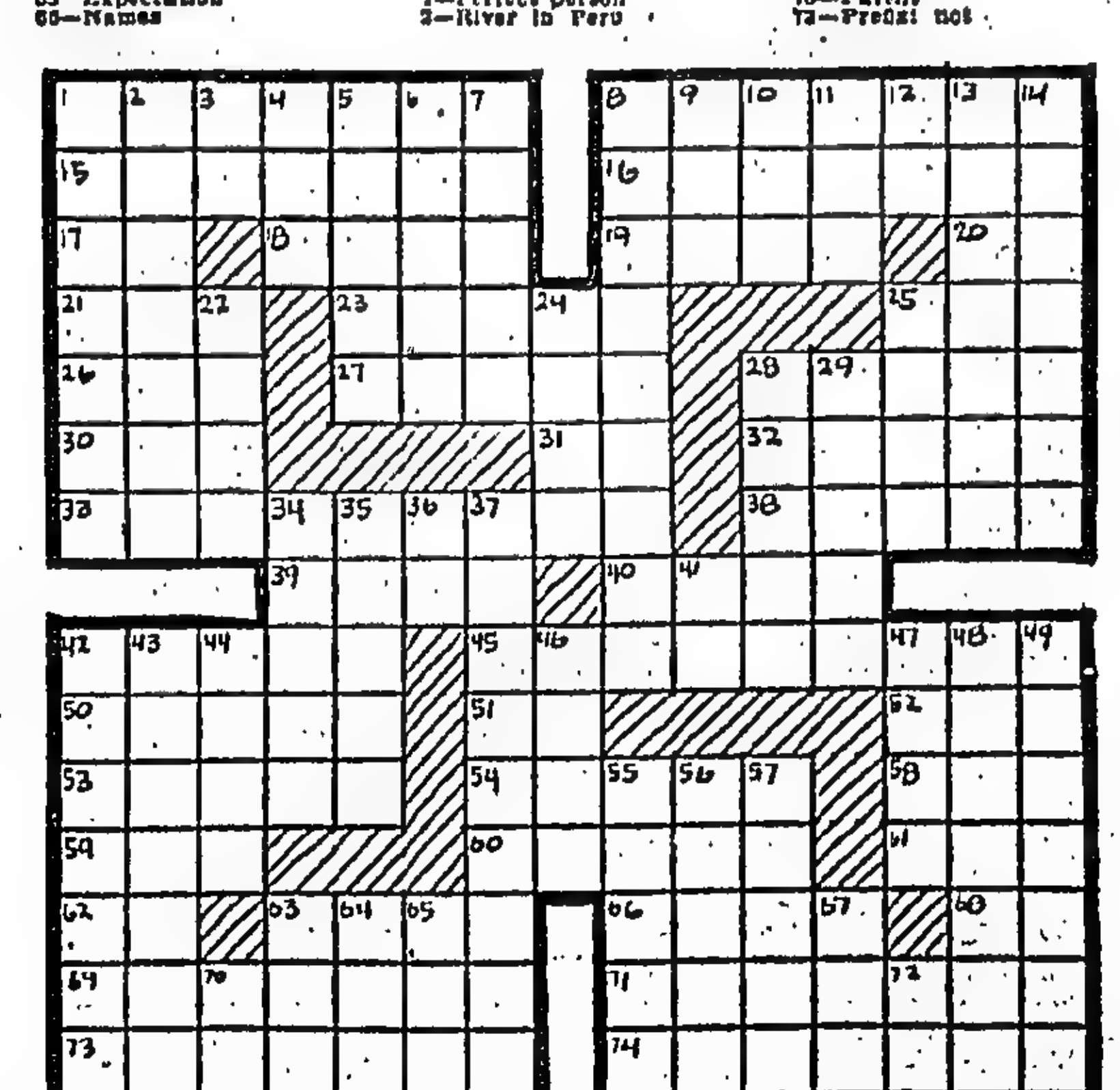
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

ANSWER TO  
PREVIOUS PUZZLE

- 1—Fruit-stone
- 5—Part of scalp
- 6—Attendant
- 10—Periodically recurring
- 17—Sun god
- 18—Unaccompanied
- 19—English school
- 20—Man's nickname
- 21—Astronomy
- 22—Spanish priest
- 23—Roman ruler
- 24—Patal (Island)
- 27—German city
- 28—West
- 30—Earthenware pot
- 32—Curd
- 33—Burdens
- 34—Part of beam
- 35—Obedience of peace
- 36—Equivalent
- 37—Platform
- 42—Roman money
- 43—Female (saber)
- 44—Mohammed's father
- 45—Intox
- 46—Pamphlet purporting to be from a republic
- 47—Cover with hard
- 48—Hunting dog
- 49—Down
- 50—Perfect person
- 51—Liver in Peru

- 31—In order that
- 32—Near-shed one
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### Guarantees

That Yugoslavia should have shown open resistance to Axis demands for control of its railroads and industries in the event of war, and that to this resistance has now been added the less open but apparently as real objections of Hungary to domination by Germany must be encouraging to British statesmen at a time when encouragement is more than usually welcome.

British backing for the Yugoslav stand is visible. If similar support exists for Hungary's attitude, it is not yet visible, and indeed will not be until all hope of keeping German friendship without accepting German overlordship has vanished in Budapest. Moreover, the British are at this moment preoccupied with the Baltic developments. Beside those, the question of Hungary's position may seem secondary.

Hungary's position is complicated by its need of friendship with Germany, by trade relations with the latter which always contain a threat to Hungarian economic independence, by fear for Hungary's political independence should Germany monopolise Hungarian markets, and by the fact that an extremely active and strategically situated National Socialist movement exists in Hungary.

Next door to Greater Germany little Hungary has to use tact. Hungarian statesmen have had to be doubly tactful in satisfying their own people that Hungary was not coming under the yoke of any big Power and in satisfying at least one big Power that Hungary was pursuing no foreign policy adverse to that larger country's interests.

Should Britain's guarantees be extended to Hungary, they would cover two States which have a territorial dispute between them. Hungary demands the return of Transylvania from Rumania. Possibly as guarantor of both States, against a third party's threat, Britain may unwittingly acquire the role of umpire between them. This should, however, be hardly less embarrassing than Germany's new position between Russia and anti-Comintern Japan.

## HITLER and RUSSIA

# SEVEN YEARS AFTER

Last month was an anniversary both vivid and sinister. We may say that it glares in history. Will it be a marked date again?

Seven years have passed. Hitler became Chancellor of the Reich on January 30, 1933. That evening he stood in the lighted window while the great torchlight procession tramped and flared below.

### Demagogue of Reaction

Europe had known no ascent like this. It was the unique apotheosis of a demagogue of reaction and a mob-mann urging autocracy.

It was portentous past all guessing at that time. Hitler was resolved to destroy the ideals of the League of Nations and to restore the Germanic war-creed in a more formidable shape than ever.

### Then and Now

When he rose to Bismarck's place as a preliminary, he was soon to succeed Hindenburg. He became an uncrowned Kaiser with more power than any of them since Charlemagne and the Otthos a thousand years before.

Seven years ago Germany contained about 65,000,000 people. He has created by cumulative violence an empire of nearly twice the size, with about 110,000,000 of inhabitants.

Napoleon never had so many subjects.

### "Munich to Moscow"

When Hitler became Chancellor he proclaimed himself the implacable antagonist of the Bolshevik revolution. He destroyed Czechoslovakia at Munich amidst the wild exuberance of Moscow. He murdered Poland with Moscow's aid.

By means of the Nazi-Soviet compact he precipitated another European war. It may become another world-war before we are done with it and him.

### Neutrals and Jeopardy

Like Wallenstein he has his touch of irreligious superstition. Men of his type are apt to regard seven years as a mystical number.

From one end of Europe to the other the lesser neutrals are in dread, not knowing what day may bring. Not one of them feels safe. Nazi victory would make vassals of them all. Not one of them would be free as now.

### The Miltonic Cause

This war in the moral sense is the greatest of wars. The Allied cause is true and glorious in the Miltonic sense. It is a war for European freedom and for the rights and hopes of man in all the world.

Could Hitlerism triumph, the political and humane ideals of western civilisation would suffer their worst setback since the Dark Ages.

Against this deep historic background of to-day the more acute ordeal of the neutrals in north-western, central, and eastern Europe must be seen, as well as the immortal example of the Finns.

### Alarm in the Low Countries

Holland and Belgium have been roused as by the locust. They fear that they and not Sweden and Norway might find themselves first in the firing line.

One of the Nazi trespassers in the air had been brought down in Belgium. Among his papers were photographs of Belgian defences. Along the Dutch frontier heavy movements of German troops were accompanied by the bullying obbligation of the Nazi Press.

It seemed possible that the violation of either kingdom or both might be imminent. The Dutch Cabinet held a special meeting last Sunday. Military leave was cancelled in both countries. All measures were taken for instant resistance.

### "Free or Die"

In Brussels additional troops were called up to the number of nearly 40,000. Practically Belgium is on a war-footing, with nearly 700,000 men available.

The Dutch are determined not to fall below the unyielding spirit of their ancestors in the heroic age when liberty was won. One Finland makes many.

No doubt is now left that both the Low Countries will stand together to the death if either is assailed.

Nazi submarines attack Netherlands shipping with peculiar brutality. If this is meant to intimidate, the effect upon a people with the fibre and traditions of the Dutch has been the opposite.

### The Hanging Cloud

Both in Holland and Belgium the apprehension of immediate onslaught has passed. But there is no real lull. A million German troops with a mighty equipment are massed along the frontiers of the Low Countries and Luxemburg.

Just as in Schlieffen's time, the Nazi plans for invading all three territories should Hitler decide to give the signal are detailed, time-tabled, and complete. They could be operated any day.

### "Qui Vive?"

Three considerations are instructive. First, Hitler will hardly hazard a mechanical attack on the Low Countries while there is danger of a short frost and thaw. He must be sure of his weather.

Second, it is not so certain that the game would pay. Belgium and Holland are in a far stronger position than when war broke out. The Allies can give swift support. The Nazi onslaught might be foiled after revolting the world.

Third, if Hitlerism established air-bases against Britain in a conquered Holland, the enemy's communications, would become much more vulnerable to British bombers.

For these reasons, it is quite possible that Hitler, Goering and the Generals have not yet taken a fundamental decision to strike at and through the Low Countries when the going is good. But the watchword on the menacing side is "Qui vive?" and the sentinels are unsleeping.

### Mind and Matter

For the moment, however, the Scandinavian situation is the graver. The world is forced to realise that what seemed unthinkable may occur. A Russian attack on Sweden and Norway can no longer be ruled out of reckoning. We live in an age of monstrous possibilities. In the moral sphere their shapes are like the horrific forms of giant reptiles and other creatures far back in geological time.

As formerly against Finland, the Soviet organs opened with a Nazi technique of abuse and menace. To both Stockholm and Oslo the Kremlin sent notes meant to intimidate. The replies were wary but not weak.

### Challenge and Stand

The northern kingdoms are well within their legal as well as moral right in aiding the Finns. They cannot desert. Human nature forbids it. So do the life and death issues concerning their own safety.

The subject has been spread out in the Soviet newspapers. Semi-official statements pronounce that the Swedish and Norwegian replies, especially the former, were unsatisfactory and fringed danger.

### Will the Bear Dance?

All depends upon whether the Kremlin can be induced by Hitler and Ribbentrop to pay the price of Mephistopheles, whose bargain was for body and soul.

So, the full alliance that Hitler and Ribbentrop seek, would offer the largest of elusive advantages but would put Moscow at the mercy of the Reich.

The weaknesses of the Soviet Empire would be gravely increased by an attack on Sweden and Norway.

Annexation of northernmost Norway so as to give Russia open ports on the North Atlantic at Narvik and Hammerfest is easy to talk of but not easy to do.

### Swedish Iron-Ore

The greatest of the Swedish iron-mines are in northern Lappland, far within the Arctic circle. They are marvellous deposits said to contain 90 per cent. of all Europe's high-percentage iron-ore.

If Russia conquered northern Finland the shadow of her hand would fall upon the Lappland iron-fields.

Moscow would never be allowed to possess them. Germany is the chief buyer of the Swedish ore, and covets control of that resource more than anything except the mastery of Rumanian oil.

### Stalin's Test

Less than four months ago Stalin had the cards in his hands. He held all the trumps. He seemed the most astute player alive. Then, in the flush of assurance, he lost his acumen and fumbled his cards.

There has been no such blunder—but this is worse—since the Napoleon of Tilsit began to defeat himself by despising Portugal.

It is certain that Stalin was misled by false advice. Why should he not settle with Finland and Scandinavia? Why should the autocrat of all the Russias become Ribbentrop's monkey? J. L. G.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Complete information on any subject under the sun?  
I don't need it!!"

# FINLAND'S Strong Old Man

—by George Godwin—

**WHO** is this Field-Marshal Mannerheim, leader of Finland's gallant little army against the might of Russia?

We have all read about the Mannerheim Line—the defence system he has built up along sections of his country's eastern frontier.

But what kind of man is this 73-year-old soldier who has behind him the faith and confidence of all his countrymen?

To understand a little of what Carl Gustav Mannerheim means to the Finns one must know why he has become a legend in his own life-time.

For that happens to few men. Nations mostly prefer their heroes dead.

The reason is very simple. Had there been no Mannerheim, there would have been no Republic of Finland.

Very tall—he stands six feet two inches in his socks—Field-Marshal Mannerheim, Baron in the Peerage of Finland, is as lean and as hard and as upright to-day as he was when, in 1917, after the collapse of the Empire of the Tsars, for whom he had been fighting, he slipped over the Karelian frontier into Finland, which was then part of the Russian Empire.

When Russia collapsed as our ally, Mannerheim was a cavalry corps commander with thirty years Imperial service behind him.

But it was an exhausted man in civilian clothes who limped into Helsinki when the first Provisional Government of the new State, just born of the Grand Duchy, was in session.

Mannerheim was well received, but his utterances sounded monotonous.

"We must get the Bolshevik army out of Finland," he kept repeating, "and we must never let the Germans in."

So they told him to get on with the first job, and Mannerheim turned his back once more on the granite capital.

That was in the late autumn of 1917, when Finland's day is but a few hours and her darkness has something of the terror of an eternal night.

Mannerheim had to work in secret,

for Finland was thick with soldiers—and spies.

So he moved through the land, and behind him there formed a peasant army, an army armed with scythes, axes, knives and, here and there, an old rifle.

When Mannerheim reckoned the moment had come to strike he could number 12,000 followers. He had nothing to offer them save what Garibaldi offered those who followed him to the liberation of Italy—wounds, hunger and death.

It was then that Mannerheim revealed himself as the type of soldier who forgets the textbooks and turns to the logic of events and the facts before him.

He faced, in all, 90,000 Russian troops. And they were well-armed and seasoned men.

In five months he drove the last of them out of the northern land, achieving this epic military feat by taking them post by post, annexing their arms, their equipment, adding it to his own.

But when Mannerheim returned victorious to Helsinki it was to find a Provisional Government demanding German assistance to drive the Russians from the new capital.

He glowered on them and reminded them of his first warnings. They declined to listen, sent for Von der Goltz. The German general came. But Mannerheim went—to Stockholm.

Finland would have need of him again, he said. He was content to wait.

He returned in 1919, when Finland had to seek recognition of her new status from the world; when, too, her people were starving.

With Mannerheim came foodships—the food-ships which saved the country.

In that year Mannerheim became first President of the Republic. Since then he has remained her Strong Man.

Although seventy-three, he has the bearing of a man in the fifties. His hair remains plentiful and iron grey, his eyes, of the light, hard blue of northern skies, are clear and steady.

And in spite of the fact that Mannerheim's methods, when he last drove the Russians out of Finland, earned him the title of the "bloody executioner," Finland sees in him a peer of Garibaldi and Simon Bolivar, and is consolidated under her strong man.

She is well content to do so.



# NAZIS PREPARING FOR DIPLOMATIC "BLITZKRIEG"?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, MARCH 14 (UP).—NAZI SOURCES REPORT THAT THERE ARE IMPROVED PROSPECTS OF A SOVIET-ITALIAN RAPPROCHEMENT.

A TRADE PACT AND THE RESUMPTION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WHICH WERE BROKEN OFF AT THE OUTSET OF THE RUSSO-FINNISH WAR ARE EXPECTED.

Meanwhile, Berlin's trade negotiations with Bucharest, Moscow and Rome improve the position against the British blockade.

It is understood that von Ribbentrop discussed the entire subject during his recent trip to Rome. He hurried from the railway station to report directly to Hitler on his return.

Official quarters, however, deny foreign reports that Germany, Rumania and Russia are preparing a tripartite Anti-Aggression pact. Local Rumanian sources say the reports are without foundation.

## RUMANIA INVIOLEATE?

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—According to reports from Berlin quoted by the New York radio, Germany has obtained Soviet assurances that whatever happens in south-east Europe, Rumania will remain inviolate.

The reports add that negotiations are proceeding for a Soviet-Rumanian Pact.

## German Promise

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—BUCHAREST, Mar. 14 (UP).—The demobilization of farmers serving in the army is being considered here as a result of Germany's promise to guarantee Rumania against aggression in return for a strenuous effort to meet Germany's needs for supplies under the Wolait agreement.

This will make possible the cultivation of 25,000,000 acres which were left unplanted last autumn.

## Moscow Pledges Non-Intervention in Rumania

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—NEW YORK, Mar. 14 (Dome).—The "Associated Press" reports from Berlin that the Soviet Government has given a definite pledge to Germany that Russia will not intervene in Rumania in any possible developments in South-Eastern Europe in future.

According to the report, the Russian pledge will enable the conclusion of a Russo-Rumanian Non-Aggression pact. Russia and Germany are shortly issuing official declarations to that effect.

## CLAIMS AGAINST JAPANESE

SHANGHAI, Mar. 15 (Reuter).—A committee to investigate American claims against Japan has been formed by local U.S. residents. The committee intends to find out how many claims of damage to U.S. property in China are held against Japan and how many reparations, adequate or inadequate, have been made by the Japanese Government to date.

The committee held its first meeting yesterday and intends to make a public statement on its findings as soon as it arrives at some definite facts.

## Japanese Reactions To Finnish Peace

# NEW SOVIET MENACE TO F. EAST FEARED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Mar. 15 (Dome).—The end of the Russo-Finnish War, Japanese newspapers fear will be followed by a quickening of Russian interest in events in the Far East.

The "Japan Advertiser" says: "The Finns have chosen the path of reason. But the terms of the peace treaty now revealed are more severe than was anticipated."

"British and French prestige has suffered a setback, but it is to be hoped that this sentiment will not lead the Scandinavian countries to sever their politics in an opposite direction. It could only prove disastrous for them."

**Big Concession**—The "Nichi Nichi Shimbun": "The peace terms represent a big concession on the part of the Soviet, which has given up its claims to northern Finland and has abandoned the Terijoki (puppet) Government to its fate. These concessions are undoubtedly due to the valiant resistance offered by the Finns, to domestic circumstances in Russia and to Soviet aversion to aggravating relations with the Western Powers."

The "Asahi Shimbun" believes that American mediation was responsible for Russia's decision to come to peace with Finland. It warns the Japanese people to note that America must have some ulterior motive in not wanting to see the Soviet engaged in a war of attrition with Finland. The paper forecasts that Russia will not pay far more attention to events in the Far East.

The Japanese Army organ, the "Yomiuri Shimbun," believes that Great Britain and France will be exposed to increasing Soviet menace in the Near East.

## New Promise To Czechs

## Restoration Of Freedom Pledged By Halifax

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—A message from Lord Halifax to the Czechs, broadcast in the Czech news today, recalls that on March 15 a year will have passed since Hitler occupied Prague, thereby "destroying all faith in the pledged word of himself and his Government."

## Allies' High Purpose

This act was less brutal than the rule of terror which followed, but all attempts had failed to devour the economic and spiritual life of the Czech people.

The message concludes: "It is with a firm resolve to restore your freedom that the governments and the peoples of the British Empire have taken up arms with the Allies. Their high purpose is to right the wrongs you have suffered and to create a new Europe in which the recurrence of such an event would be made impossible."

## CHINA-BURMA CONFERENCE

## To Remove Possible Border Trouble

CHUNGKING, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—To remove possible disputes between Chinese and Burmese in the districts on the border, it has been decided to hold a conference once a year in which the leaders of Chinese and Burmese tribes along the border will take part.

The first conference is taking place today. It will last ten days. It is being held at Jullai, Yunnan, on the Burmese border.

Following the conference, there will be athletic contests and other social events for promoting friendship between the Chinese and Burmese tribes.

## India's Gift For British Sailors

NEW DELHI, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The Viceroy has authorized the contribution of £375,000 from the Viceroy's War Purposes Fund to the King George's Fund for Sailors. He has requested the authorities of the latter fund to co-operate closely with the Indian Comforts Fund in London, which assists sailors.

## Welles In Paris

PARIS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Mr. Sumner Welles has arrived here en route to Italy. He had a half-hour talk with M. Daladier, to whom he handed a message from President Roosevelt.

## THIS MAN IS A MODERN ATLAS



AN UP-TO-DATE ATLAS is serving with an R.A.F. bombing squadron in France. He does not support the world on his shoulders but bombs. Atlas, who comes from Llandrindod in Wales, stoops down and with the aid of three companions the bomb is laid across his shoulders. He then pushes the projectile into position in the rack while his companions make fast. The projectiles weigh 500 lbs. He can load bombers at a third of the normal time.

## Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	85 1/2
T.T. India	92
T.T. U.S.A.	22 1/2
T.T. Manila	45
T.T. Batavia	41 1/4
T.T. Bangkok	150 1/4
T.T. Saigon	108
T.T. France	10.82
T.T. Switzerland	100
T.T. Australia	1/0 1/4
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4 m/s L/C London	1/3.3/32
4 m/s D/P do.	1/3.7/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	23 1/2
4 m/s France	11.37
30 d/s India	83 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.71 1/2

## \$1,232 SNATCHED FROM WOMAN

For the theft of \$1,232.20 in Chinese currency from Wu Kwan-yin, married woman, in Queen's Road Central, Wong Fo, 25, unemployed was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Det.-Sgt. Brooks said Wong snatched the money from the woman's right hand. The money was wrapped up in old newspapers. Wong said he did not know that the parcel contained money.

## 25 KILLED IN TRAIN SMASH

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—MCCALLEN, Texas, Mar. 14 (UP).—One of the worst train accidents in the history of Texas resulted today in the death of 25 workers, with 15 others injured. Most of them were Mexicans. The accident happened when a passenger train crashed into a truckload of citrus workers near McAllen today.

## WANT TO MAKE MUNITIONS

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Arrangements are being made for Britain to bring small arms into the National War effort. No less than 110 Chambers of Commerce are compiling a list of small firms which wish to be considered for munitions factories.

## NAZI MINERS FOR FINLAND

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—ROME, Mar. 14 (UP).—According to the newspaper "Messaggero," German engineers from the Ruhr mines are going to Petsamo to work the nickel mines there. German specialists from the Frankenstein nickel works have already left for Petsamo.

## Canadian Soldiers Go To The Poll

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Canadian soldiers in Britain started to register their votes yesterday. The polling will continue until Saturday week. Mr. Anthony Eden visited the Canadian troops at Aldershot yesterday.

When some of them told him they were getting impatient he replied that all things come to those who wait.

## Assassination Denounced

## Shocked Reactions By Indian Leaders

BOMBAY, Mar. 14 (UP).—Mr. Ghandhi condemned the Caxton Hall shooting in London yesterday, unreservedly describing it as "a fit of insanity."

He expressed the hope that it will not affect England's political judgment.

He condoled with Sir Michael O'Dwyer's family and congratulated Lord Zetland on his providential escape. He believes there was no political motive behind the murder.

**Berlin Reaction**—BERLIN, Mar. 14 (UP).—The afternoon newspapers featured the shooting of Sir Michael O'Dwyer in London, describing the deed as "shots at the oppressors by an Indian fighter for freedom."

They devoted double and triple columns to headlines regarding the shooting, with columns of comment, and a description of the "Blood bath of Amritsar," in April 1919 for which, they declared, the assassin was taking revenge.

## No Political Significance

CALCUTTA, Mar. 14 (UP).—Abdul Kalam Azad, incoming President of the Ramgarh Congress interviewed here regarding the shooting of Sir Michael O'Dwyer in London said: "We are most regretful over the London tragedy, but realize that it has no political significance."

## Premier's Condolences

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons today, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in a statement on the shooting at Caxton Hall yesterday, said: "The House will wish to join with me in expressing deep sympathy with Lady O'Dwyer and her family in the tragic loss they have suffered, and to extend to those wounded our good wishes for a rapid recovery."

"I understand that their injuries are not grave and that all are making satisfactory progress."

Mr. Chamberlain, in recounting the facts of the affair, gave the name of the charged man as Mohan Singh. (The name of the man charged at

## STOCK EXCHANGE THWARTS NAZIS

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—According to the "Financial Times," steps have been taken to put an end to the machinery of the British Stock Exchange being used for the disposal of securities, principally bearer bonds, on behalf of enemy interests. Germany acquired large quantities of securities by the seizure of Poland and Czechoslovakia, and there is evidence that a considerable amount of them are disposed of in Britain through neutral channels.

Yesterday the Stock Exchange Committee issued a strongly-worded warning to members to be on guard against attempts at such disposals and reminded them of the penalties.

## Unanimous Condemnation

NEW DELHI, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The leaders of all parties in India have unanimously condemned the assassination, on Wednesday, of Sir Michael O'Dwyer, former Governor of the Punjab, and the wounding of Lord Zetland, the Secretary of State for India, and other members at the India Association luncheon by a 37-year-old Indian engineer.

All Government offices at Lahore were closed today and flags were flown at half-mast over Government buildings. Mahatma Gandhi called it an act of insanity. He expressed the hope that it will not affect political judgment. Sundar Bose, the Indian Leftist Leader, said: "I regret the assassination because the chapter of terrorism has closed in Indian history. This is an isolated and unrepresentative incident."

## India Horrified

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Indian clubs and associations today passed a resolution expressing horror at the act of violence and sent their deepest condolences to Lady O'Dwyer and family and their sympathy to others who were shot. They included the Indian Students' Union, the Moslem Society, Hindu Association, the Parsee Association, the India League, representative of the Moslem League, etc.

## New Foreign Policy For Northern States

# SWEDEN SUSPICIOUS OF SOVIET PLANS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 14 (UP).—It is officially stated that Sweden is to ask Russia to explain her intentions regarding the proposals to build a railway between Kandalaksha and Kemijarvi in Finland.

Norway is also likely to request detailed information regarding the Russo-Finnish peace treaty concerning the free passage through the Petsamo corridor of goods and materials to Norway.

In the meantime it is stated that a military and diplomatic conference will be summoned as soon as Finland has withdrawn her troops and settled on the frontiers to sign the final papers with Russia.

This conference, it is expected, will be held either at Oslo or Stockholm within a week.

While Denmark is not likely to participate in a military alliance, she will probably strengthen the economic framework of the northern States.

## New Policy

A Foreign Office spokesman told the "United Press" today: "A revolution has taken place in Scandinavian foreign policy as a consequence of the Russo-Finnish war. This is indicated by our departure from 125 years of strict neutrality in order to start forming a military alliance among ourselves. A new era for the North has begun and our economic, trade and foreign affairs will now have to be worked out with a common policy."

According to a Moscow message, informed circles state that the proposed Scandinavian alliance is apparently consistent with the Soviet-Finnish peace pact so long as it is not of arms.

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# "Captain Foster's" Racing Review

## ST. PATRICK'S MEETING AT FANLING ON SUNDAY

### Big Cash Sweep Starts Second Leg

A special dollar cash sweep is being conducted on the Kwanti Cup, a flat race for Australian ponies over six furlongs, limiting the sale to 50,000 tickets and all have been sold out. So popular was the demand that the Race Club has started a "B" series not to exceed 50,000 chances, and it may interest one to know that at time of writing the sale has crossed the 15,000 mark.

### HURDLES RACE FOR GOVERNOR'S TROPHY

#### Keen Competition For March Brown

THERE WAS a tight finish between March Brown and Jack O'Lantern in the Lo Wu Hurdle race over this champion course run on January 21, the former being nicely handled by Mr. Butcher. The latter was first pony to be over the last hurdle, but in the home run of one hundred and fifty yards Jack O'Lantern appeared to be all out and he lost by half length.

Both hurdlers have been entered for the Governor's Cup, which is over the same distance, and the inclusion of Double Chance will no doubt add a certain amount of interest to the pari-mutuel department.

I have just finished discussing the form of March Brown and Jack O'Lantern, but I cannot place much confidence in Double Chance as a hurdler. I know he has won the Governor's Cup in 1938, but I prefer March Brown to his honesty over the bamboo sticks.

### KWANTI CUP SWEEPSTAKES

#### Six Furlongs Handicap For Australians

THE KWANTI CUP, a handicap for Australian ponies over six furlongs, should provide the racing public with a good line for future meetings at Happy Valley.

It will be the first occasion that the weight controller has been called upon to frame a handicap between the "C" class and those ponies that ran at the big meeting under the head of subscription griffins of this season.

The youngsters are Brown Derby, Lovely Kid, Perola d'Oriente and Quick Despatch, the best in my opinion being Perola d'Oriente. She was always out in the early mornings.

## Grand National Steeplechases For Australian And China Ponies

EVERYBODY KNOWS that March 17 is set aside to celebrate the feast of the patron saint of Ireland, but I have not been able to ascertain the reason why the last Gymkhana of the Fanling Hunt and Race Club to be held on Sunday should be called St. Patrick's Day Meeting. History tells us that St. Patrick grew up as a slave-boy on the Irish hills, but there is no mention that he was an ardent follower of the sport of kings.

However, very good nominations have been received for all the contests, there being no less than 19 "E" class China ponies for the Dublin Handicap (a flat event over five furlongs), and as a result it was necessary to divide the entries into two sections.

Although it will not be anything like the Dublin Horse Show, the trip to Kwanti Racecourse by car or train is worth making, for a fine programme of seven interesting events will be presented to racing fans.

For the convenience of racing public there will be a special train leaving Kowloon at 1.05 p.m. and returning from Fanling at 6.41 p.m. The first class return fare of \$2 includes admission to the racecourse. \$1 is charged for admission to the Public Enclosure and Servicemen in uniform are admitted half price.

First saddling bell will be chimed at 2.15 p.m., but attention of owners and/or jockeys is drawn to the fact that starters must be declared on the forms provided in the Weighing Room before the ringing of the first saddling bell, and for all subsequent races 45 minutes before the scheduled starting time.

#### THE GOVERNOR'S CUP

A PART from the Grand National Steeplechases (one confined to Australian ponies and the other to Chinese ponies), the Governor's Cup, kindly presented by His Excellency the Governor, a hurdle event for China ponies, will undoubtedly be the race of the afternoon.

Brutus belonging to the Irish owner, Mr. G. Treverton, will have to be at tip-top form if he intends to duplicate his success of last year when he annexed the Fanling Blue Riband without any trouble. One of the strongest contenders is Sea Urchin owned by that popular Scotch owner, Mr. S. T. Williamson, and we may look forward to a good fight.

together with Ansel Day, who had three seconds at the Annual Carnival, but Perola d'Oriente was never among the first three placed ponies.

Of the "C" company I like Macquarie River, but Dick Turpin gave him a hiding at the country course on Boxing Day in the Hobart Handicap. There is no flaw in the readjustment of the lead, but I honestly believe that Macquarie River has grown in substance, and I therefore tip him to win. Tarzan is recommended for a long shot.



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### TOURNAMENT TENNIS

## RUMJAHS WIN DOUBLES

### Lee Hua-kek And Leonard Defeated 6-2, 6-3 In Second Round Match

(By "Tinker")

THE RUMJAHN COUSINS, S. A. and H. D., redoubtable doubles champions from 1925-35, entered the third round of the 1940 Colony doubles tennis championship last night when they beat J. W. Leonard and Lee Hua-kek 6-2, 6-3 on the Hongkong Cricket Club courts.

At no stage of the match was there any doubt as to the result, but a fair crowd of spectators turned up to watch the game, which was the only Open Championship tie on the programme.

It should suffice for the winners to say that they were their usual selves, except, perhaps, that S.A. was slightly unsteady with his overhead and volleying. H.D. appears to have developed a "punch" for a forehand drive, and it was noticeable on several occasions yesterday that he did not employ a full swing at the ball. Comparative unsteadiness lost the match for Leonard and Lee. In volleying duels, and there were quite a few, they held their own up to a certain point, but were then, more often than not, the ones to break down. Overhead, neither could have been called strong, while their driving had very little sting. Lee's strongest shot appears to be with his backhand, but even this was inclined to be airy yesterday.

Leonard and partner won the first game of both sets. In the first set, they lost the next five successive games, and then a peculiar incident occurred during the seventh game.

#### WHO CARES?

WITH Lee serving, the umpire called 30-40, and the next point was lost by Lee, which on the score should have been game and set for the Rumjahns. Umpire, however, called "duce"—and no one seemed to care. Not only that, Lee and Leonard won the game! The Rumjahns took the lead in the second set at 3-1, and on Leonard's service in the fifth game

were down love-40, but managed to win that game and the next to make the score 3-all. They travelled no further.

The full scores were:

#### OPEN DOUBLES

S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn beat J. W. Leonard and Lee Hua-kek 6-2, 6-3.

#### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

H. J. Armstrong beat G. C. Burnett 6-4, 6-7.

#### HANDICAP SINGLES

A. C. Bowker (-3/0) beat F. D. Hunter (+1/0) 6-2, 6-2. M. Page (-3/0) beat G. S. Lovett (scr.) 8-2, 6-1.

E. Zalus (-15/3) beat W. G. Harvey (-2/0) 6-4, 6-2. W. M. Barton (-3/0) beat C. M. Stark (+3/0) 7-5, 6-1.

#### HANDICAP DOUBLES

B. O'M. Deane and V. Spencer (-4/0) beat H. D. Bidwell and A. T. Dow (-3/0) 10-8, 6-3.

N. D. Lloyd and W. R. Lambert (scr.) beat J. R. M. Smith and D. J. Crozier (scr.) 3-0, 6-0, 6-2.

#### HANDICAP MIXED DOUBLES

C. C. Stark and Mrs. Stark (scr.) beat R. K. Valentine and Mrs. Valentine (-1/0) 6-2, 7-5.

### To-Day's Programme

There is only one match in the Open Championship today.

#### OPEN DOUBLES

Pang Ol-lam and Leung Ping-chiu v. J. L. C. Pearce and D. I. Besant.

## ANNUAL GOLF MATCH Starting Times For Kowloon v. Happy Valley

The following starting times have been arranged for the annual golf match between the Kowloon Golf Club and the Happy Valley Golf Club to be played on the Kowloon course on Good Friday, Mar. 22, (Kowloon).

G.C. team named first:

#### SINGLES

9.00 A. E. Davies, J. T. Smith.  
9.04 R. K. Collings, R. Young.  
9.08 A. J. Dennis, A. McKellar.  
9.12 W. S. Hillier, W. Sharp.  
9.16 E. F. Fincher, D. Humphries.  
9.20 W. C. Simpson, T. Low.  
9.24 W. A. Lewis, C. Davis.  
9.28 D. Thomson, A. C. I. Bowker.  
9.32 T. Lamb, H. Smith.  
9.36 W. A. Lewis, C. Davis.  
9.40 W. A. Lewis, C. Davis.  
9.44 F. C. Barry, J. A. R. Bell.  
9.48 F. C. Barry, J. A. R. Bell.  
9.52 G. M. G. Witterton.  
9.56 A. W. Ramsey, N. J. Becker.  
10.00 A. Eastman, G. T. May.  
Reserves:  
10.04 W. Kershaw, E. Tuck.  
10.08 W. Bastin, A. J. MacFayden.

#### Seven-a-side Rugby

### Good Games Anticipated In Final Stages

It is hoped that a large crowd will be present at the quarter-finals, semi-finals and final of the Blarney Stone Rugby Seven-a-side Tournament, which will be held to-morrow afternoon on the Hongkong Football Club ground, commencing at 3 p.m.

This season the entire proceeds are being devoted towards the British War Organization Fund, and although the attendances during the preliminary games were excellent, it is hoped that they will be better to-morrow.

The following is to-morrow's programme: Police A v. Royal Scots A (3 p.m.); 8th Heavy Regt. R.A. v. Royal Engineers (3.20 p.m.); Hongkong Bank v. Civil Service (3.40 p.m.); Police B v. Rest of Club (4 p.m.).

By kind permission of Lt. Col. D. J. McDougall and Officers, the Band and Pipes of the 2nd Battalion, the Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) will play from 2.30 p.m. to 3 p.m. before the matches, and during the intervals.

Admission to the covered stand will be \$1.50 and \$1 to the open stands. Servicemen being admitted at half-price.

#### FOURSOMES

2.15 A. E. Davies and R. K. Collings, J. T. Smith and R. Young.  
2.20 A. J. Dennis and W. S. Hillier, A. McKellar and W. Sharp.  
2.25 E. F. Fincher and W. C. Simpson, D. Humphries and T. Low.  
2.30 W. A. Lewis and J. D. Thompson, H. H. Mundy and A. C. I. Bowker.  
2.35 T. Lamb and A. C. I. Bowker, H. Smith and O. Davis.  
2.40 W. V. Ahern and F. C. Barry, T. B. Low and C. Davis.  
2.45 G. P. Murphy and G. M. G. Witterton, P. G. Murphy and G. M. G. Witterton.  
2.50 W. A. Lewis and A. R. Bell, N. J. Becker and G. T. May.  
Reserves:  
2.55 W. Kershaw and W. Bastin, E. Tuck and A. J. MacFayden.

## WEEK-END CRICKET TEAMS

The following cricket teams have been chosen for the week-end:

#### RECREIO IST XI

The following will represent Recreationist University in a First Division League cricket match on Saturday, on the Recreationist ground at 3 p.m.: M. Rodrigues (Capt.), E. L. Gossano, P. M. N. da Silva, R. W. A. Rod, L. G. Gossano, H. L. Orlorio, J. M. Gossano, E. M. L. Soares, G. N. Gossano, A. P. Pereira and N. Beltrao.

#### CRAIGENGOWER TEAMS

The following will represent Craighower first and second elevens in League cricket matches on Saturday:

1st XI v. Civil Service (Home)—E. Zalus, A. J. Dennis, W. H. Sling, G. Simpson, A. N. O'Brien, F. H. Fincher, G. Ladd, S. C. I. Bowker, W. H. Sling, and J. A. R. Bell (Away)—B. H. Fincher, A. N. O'Brien, F. H. Fincher, G. Ladd, S. C. I. Bowker, W. H. Sling, and J. A. R. Bell.

Admission to the covered stand will be \$1.50 and \$1 to the open stands. Servicemen being admitted at half-price.

## THE AUSTRALIANS' BLUE RIBAND

THE PROBABLE STARTERS for the Australian Grand National Steeplechase over two miles are Brutus, Glorious Star, Kiola, National Unity, Sea Urchin and Spec-trum. Sea Imp has been nominated, but the mare has never been over the birch and brush, and in the circumstance we can leave her out of one's reckoning.

However, Brutus is not a "greenhorn" jumper for he has two most exclusive classics to his credit, the Blue Ribands of 1937 and 1938, and there was no race in 1939.

Last season the 'chaser' was piloted by Mr. G. Treverton and

there is no need to say that the Irish owner will again be the jockey.

Brutus has not had an official outing since his last success over the fence about a year ago, but the pony is in fine fettle and he should, in my humble opinion, win.

Although there is a difference of 3 lbs. of lead, Mr. C. M. Alves, the handicapper, has framed Brutus and Sea Urchin to be on the same tree, each carrying 10 lbs. penalty over the weight for inches scale.

SEA URCHIN'S BID  
MR. S. T. Williamson is going to make a strong bid to capture the Fanling flag with Sea Urchin, but I am afraid that the Scotch owner will find Brutus a stiff proposition. I would say that on the flat Brutus is head and shoulders above Sea Urchin, and that alone is a great advantage. I must, however, admit that Mr. Williamson's candidate won two clever jumping events this season, but on both occasions the field was a mediocre one.

For an outsider I would suggest Glorious Star, who had the misfortune to topple over at the Lou's jump (the third last fence from home) in the New South Wales Handicap on January 21, otherwise I would be writing a different story. The mare was leading from the dip, but the miscalculation in the air robbed the chairman, Mr. M. M. Watson, of a race.

## Dublin H'cap Divided Into Two Sections

### A Short Scramble Over Five Furlongs

PALMER is at the top of the hill with a load of 163 lbs. in the Dublin Handicap (first section) for "E" class China ponies, and, luckily, the run is only a scramble over five furlongs. Although Palmer and likewise Bogey have been promoted to "D" class, both steeds are eligible as they are protected by the clause "at date of entry."

Miss Fearon's candidate likes the hard going, but I am asking a direct question whether Palmer can give 10 lbs. to Arabian Cat and Gallant Marshal?

The former has no objection to a course converted from a paddy field, while Gallant Marshal had the satisfaction of trouncing Palmer on even weights in the Shanin Handicap (first section) run on January 21.

I do not deny that Gallant Marshal was not in the picture when Palmer annexed the Wuhu Handicap at Happy Valley on February 24, but the former staged a comeback in Macao about a fortnight ago, and that success has prompted me to favour Gallant Marshal again. Lucky Eleven must not be underrated while March Brown is a good 'un for big money.

## Imports From Macao For Second Section

IT IS LEARNED that Mac's Adventure and Persian Cat are coming from Macao for the Dublin Handicap (second section) for "E" class China ponies over five furlongs and it is hoped that they will return to the Portuguese colony with some stake money.

Dow-Jones is definitely not starting. I see New Bedford is now in this section and with the owner-jockey in the saddle, I hope the combination will break their "duck." National Dignity and Blaisdon should all the minor positions.

## Indirect Tribute To "Homicide" Henry

PHILADELPHIA, Mar. 2 (UP).—World lightweight champion Lou Ambers on Friday was named the outstanding athlete of 1939 by officials in charge of awarding the prized Seymour Trophy.

Ambers gained the trophy largely through his feat of retaining his title by scoring a victory over Henry Armstrong, world welterweight titleholder, in a return clash.

## "Capt. Foster" Selects The Following:

### Speed Merchants For The Shamrock Stakes

THERE IS CERTAINLY a nice bunch of speedy merchants in the Shamrock Stakes for "D" class China ponies over six furlongs, and we should see a good race.

The two winners (Bressay and Phoenix) of "D" class second section events at Happy Valley during February head the handicap list, and it is not likely that they will again be in the fore.

Lancashire Chap has been given a good turn of only 140 lbs., and it pays one to have a few dollars on the boy. Fel Ying ran a good race in Macao about a fortnight ago, beating Phoenix and Talkative in the Democratic Handicap, and it looks to me that he is capable of upsetting the applicant.

Portrush is the other from my notebook, but be careful with that chestnut gelding which "all the medics know—"Emergency Call."

## Fanling Grand National For China Ponies In Association With Pierce Grove Memorial Cup

IT WAS IN 1926 that the inaugural meeting of the Fanling Hunt Club was held on February 15, and at that meet we saw the first strain and stamina contest for China ponies over the fences.

The curtain raiser on Sunday will be the Fanling Grand National and Pierce Grove Memorial Cup, a handicap steeplechase for China ponies over a course of 1 1/4 miles, and the classic event celebrates its 15th birthday.

To many it may not be known the reason for associating the name of "Pierce Grove" with the Blue Riband of Fanling. By profession, the late Pierce Grove was a practitioner, who was one of the founders and the first master of the Hunt Club. He took an exceptionally keen interest over the fences and sticks, but after three or four years of hard work, the passing of the grand old man was a great loss to the Club.

In memory of the interest he had shown in the affairs of the club, the Stewards thought fit to associate his name with the most exclusive major event.

#### SEVEN ENTRIES

THE Fanling Grand National has attracted seven entries, but I do not expect that all will accept. Ebony Idol, the winner of last year, is among the list of nominations, and he naturally holds the post of honour with a limit of 163 lbs. Along with him, Clowner and Diogenes have been set to shoulder the same burden, but is Ebony Idol in fine enough trim to stand the strain? His last outing was a short head success in

#### FANLING GRAND NATIONAL

Clowner  
Ebony Idol  
Diogenes

#### THE GOVERNOR'S CUP

March Brown  
Jack O'Lantern  
Double Chance

#### AUSTRALIANS' GRAND NATIONAL

Brutus  
Sea Urchin  
Glorious Star

#### DUBLIN HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Gallant Marshal  
Arabian Cat  
Palmer

#### KWANTI CUP

Macquarie River  
Dick Turpin  
Perola d'Oriente

#### SHAMROCK STAKES

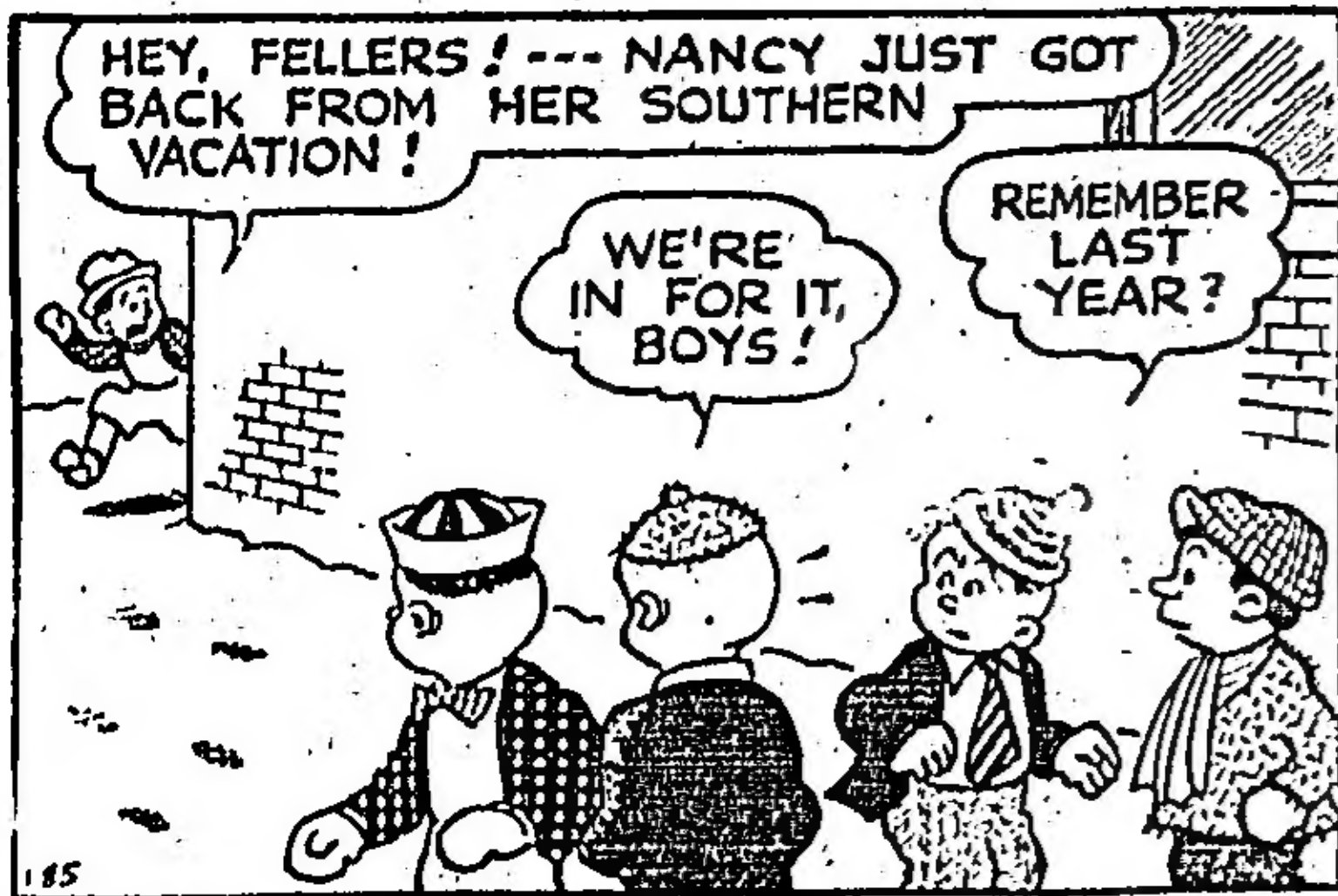
Lancashire Chap  
Fel Ying  
Portrush

#### DUBLIN HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

New Bedford  
National Dignity  
Blaisdon



# NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

## THRILLING BADMINTON Yong Enters Semi-Finals Of Men's Open Singles Championship

(By "Tinker")

AFTER ONE of the hardest, most thrilling, and most skilful badminton matches played this season, K. L. Yong entered the semi-finals of the Colony men's singles championship at King's College last night, when he defeated C. F. Chew 8-15, 18-16, 17-15. I don't think the superlatives of a motion picture publicity man could do justice to the match, nor could they describe the thrills that closing stages of the tense duel gave to the many spectators.

These latter may have been disappointed when P. S. Bun gave a walk-over to H. Eardley, but they had little to complain about. Their evening was not wasted.

So strenuous was their match that after two games they were so played out that they could not immediately continue with the third, and the mixed doubles match, in which M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva easily beat T. T. Chin and Miss M. Ding 15-3, 15-5, was played to afford them

a rest. It was a mutual arrangement, though contrary to the rules of badminton.

C. F. Chew was, by narrow margin, the better player, but he had not the stamina of his opponent. His repertoire of shots, however, was more complete than any I have seen in the Colony. The rallies of the closing minutes of the third game were in perfection, like a motion picture. Adroitly placed and cunningly concealed short drop shots from the baseline, heavy and accurate smashes from all angles, and

masterly delicate shots when at the net blended into perfect entertainment for the spectators.

### TWO HARD GAMES

IN THE second game, Yong secured a hard fought lead at 13-11, and eventually settled at 13-11. Chew led 1-0, but Yong regained service and then jumped to a 3-1 lead. Chew smashed his way to 2-3, and then after service had changed hands several times, drew up to 3-1. Brilliant angled shots gave Yong the two necessary points for the set.

The third game, after the long interval opened with Chew going into a 7-0 lead. Yong, however, drew up to 7-10, and went on to lead at 13-10. From 13-10 Yong went up to 14-12 before there began that series of duels which gave such excitement. Chew threw everything he knew into the game, and slowly and amid a tense atmosphere drew up to 14-11.

They settled, and Chew took the first point. It was the end of his magnificent rally, however, for it was a very spent player who endeavoured to stave off defeat through those last three points. Yong took them in a row. The shuttle for the last point fell short on the left of the court, but Chew, mid-court and on the right, made no effort for it.

The remaining match last night was played at Taikeo. P. H. Wong and Miss W. Cheung beat J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 15-12, 15-3.

## NEW YORK YANKEES TO BE SOLD

Money To Pay Taxes  
On Late Owner's Estate

NEW YORK, Mar. 14 (UP).—It is learned from very reliable sources that the New York Yankees, the greatest baseball team of all time, will be sold to raise money to meet the inheritance taxes on the fifty million dollars' estate.

It is reported that a syndicate headed by Governor Francis B. Murphy, of New Hampshire, has already closed a deal. But Ed. Barrow, President of the Yankees, from Sebring, Fla., says "no deal has been completed. The Club is certainly for sale, but at the present time nothing is definite or semi-definite."

Governor Murphy said, "It is correct to say that a deal is brewing, but it is absolutely wrong to say that the purchase has been made."

Mr. Barrow, however, said that Governor Murphy was not among those bidding, but pointed out that he had been reported trying to buy a Major League Club for the past ten years.

## FANLING STARTING TIMES

The following starting times have been arranged by the Royal Hong-kong Golf Club for Sunday:

OLD COURSE	
9.10	S. H. Dodwell, K. S. Morrison.
9.20	M. Pollock, G. M. Fair.
9.30	J. G. Jensen, J. von Muhlén.
9.40	Brig. MacLeod, Wing Cdr. Steele.
9.50	Perkins.
10.00	J. I. Lanyon, L. R. Andrews.
10.10	W. Hewitt, A. R. McBride.
10.20	J. C. Brown, L. Jackson.
10.30	J. M. Pearson, G. Thompson.
10.40	E. H. Williams, T. McGarry.
10.50	A. N. & C. A. A. McGarry.
11.00	L. J. Lanyon, J. B. Harrison.
11.10	L. P. Jamworth, G. T. Harrington.
11.20	W. C. Sheehan, J. W. Williamson.
11.30	J. L. C. Pearce, R. G. Parker.
11.40	H. Young, S. L. Lloyd.
11.50	R. H. Woodard.
12.00	D. Humphreys, P. T. McKullen.
12.10	F. Groves, J. Stenerson.
12.20	A. J. Denby, T. Smith.
12.30	H. Over, W. J. E. Mackenzie.
12.40	F. A. Redmond, J. C. Taylor.
12.50	J. Harrow, D. L. Froehel.
13.00	H. S. W. Paterson, A. B. Purves.
13.10	A. H. Penn, S. A. Sloop.
13.20	J. Kelly, J. W. Glasgow.
13.30	H. M. Rowland, P. M. Cotton.
13.40	P. E. Anna, G. C. Aikenhead.
13.50	A. C. J. Simpson.
14.00	L. M. S. Lloyd, J. F. Jupp.
14.10	G. C. Worrall, A. T. Lay.
14.20	R. de L. Liesching, H. B. Williamson.
14.30	A. C. Meredith, I. H. C. Hight.
14.40	E. W. J. Wedlock, A. G. James.
NEW COURSE	
9.24	D. L. Strellett, D. D. Forbes.
9.32	L. A. R. & Mrs. Duncan.
9.40	M. Mayhew, Mrs. Smalley.
9.48	H. F. Phillips, A. Ritchie.
9.56	H. C. & Mrs. Stewart.
10.04	Mrs. Nicol, Mrs. Woodward.
10.12	Mrs. Dennis, Mrs. Smith.
10.20	Mrs. Over, Mrs. Mackenzie.
10.28	Mrs. Wedlock, Mrs. James.

## TURKISH PRESS BACKS ALLIES

LONDON, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Referring to the revelation of the device rendering magnetic mines harmless, the Turkish paper, "Cumhuriyet," observes: "Germany has probably overlooked the fact that Britain is her equal in the scientific field."

The "Yeni Sabah" says: "As long as the type of mentality which led Germany to attack Poland and Russia to attack Finland is not extirpated, there is no security for the small or even the great Powers. This is the reason why all right-thinking people are praying for a victory for the Allies who are struggling to stamp it out. The Allies fully recognise and uphold the rights of humanity."

## CURRENCY PROBLEM

Japan May Have To  
Adopt Barter System

TOKYO, Mar. 14 (UP).—Local bankers to-day indicated that radical changes in Japanese trade practices may become necessary owing to the Yen rising rapidly in relation to the Pound Sterling as a result of the fall in the value of British currency on the New York market. The Yen is quoted at 1/24 having advanced 12 points, or 4 pence, since yesterday. Bankers pointed out that the rise of Yen in relation to Pound Sterling would have an adverse effect on Japanese trade with Pound bloc countries, which, until now, has shown a balance favourable to Japan.

**Deterioration Fears**  
They said that while United States Dollars can still be purchased with Pounds on the New York market by the Japanese Exchange Banks, any further deterioration of the Pound will result in more strict British exchange control measures which could easily make the Pound-Dollar rate nominal because of the absence of business. This would compel the Japanese Exchange Banks to adopt a new basis for computing relative values between the Yen and Pound. This value is at present based on the London-New York cross rate, the Yen having been linked with the United States Dollar since October 24, 1939.

They said that further tightening of British exchange control measures may lead to the prohibition of payments, thereby isolating the Pound within the British Empire. In such a contingency, Japan's trade with Pound bloc countries would be conducted by barter banks.

## U.S. STEAMSHIP COYS. INDICTED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BROOKLYN, Mar. 14 (UP).—The Maritime Commission has opened the hearing to determine whether the seven steamship lines, who are members of the Japan-Atlantic Coast Freight Conference, have violated the rate and transportation agreements, and filed misstatements. Seven members of the trans-Pacific Freight Conference of Japan will be heard later.

The violations alleged include shipping part wool goods as cotton and imitation pearls as glass.

## Frenzied Welcome For Gandhi

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
RANGARH, Mar. 14 (UP).—Gandhi in a simple loin cloth, Mr. Gandhi arrived by third class and was greeted by the retiring President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad. The committee included the Indian nightingale poetess Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, well known in the United States. Mr. Gandhi was cheered ardently by thousands as he left by motor car for Congress headquarters.

## HEAVY SNOWFALL IN HOLLAND

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—Snow has prevented the resumption of air services between Berlin and Amsterdam. Nine inches of snow have fallen in some parts of Holland. Owing to traffic dislocation, few members reached Parliament to-day and no quorum could be formed. The sitting was postponed.

## Polish Air Force Nearly Ready

PARIS, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—General Sikorski, the Polish Prime Minister, announced to-day that the first Polish Air Squadron would soon join the French Air Force at the front. Soon afterwards he said that Polish infantry units would follow.

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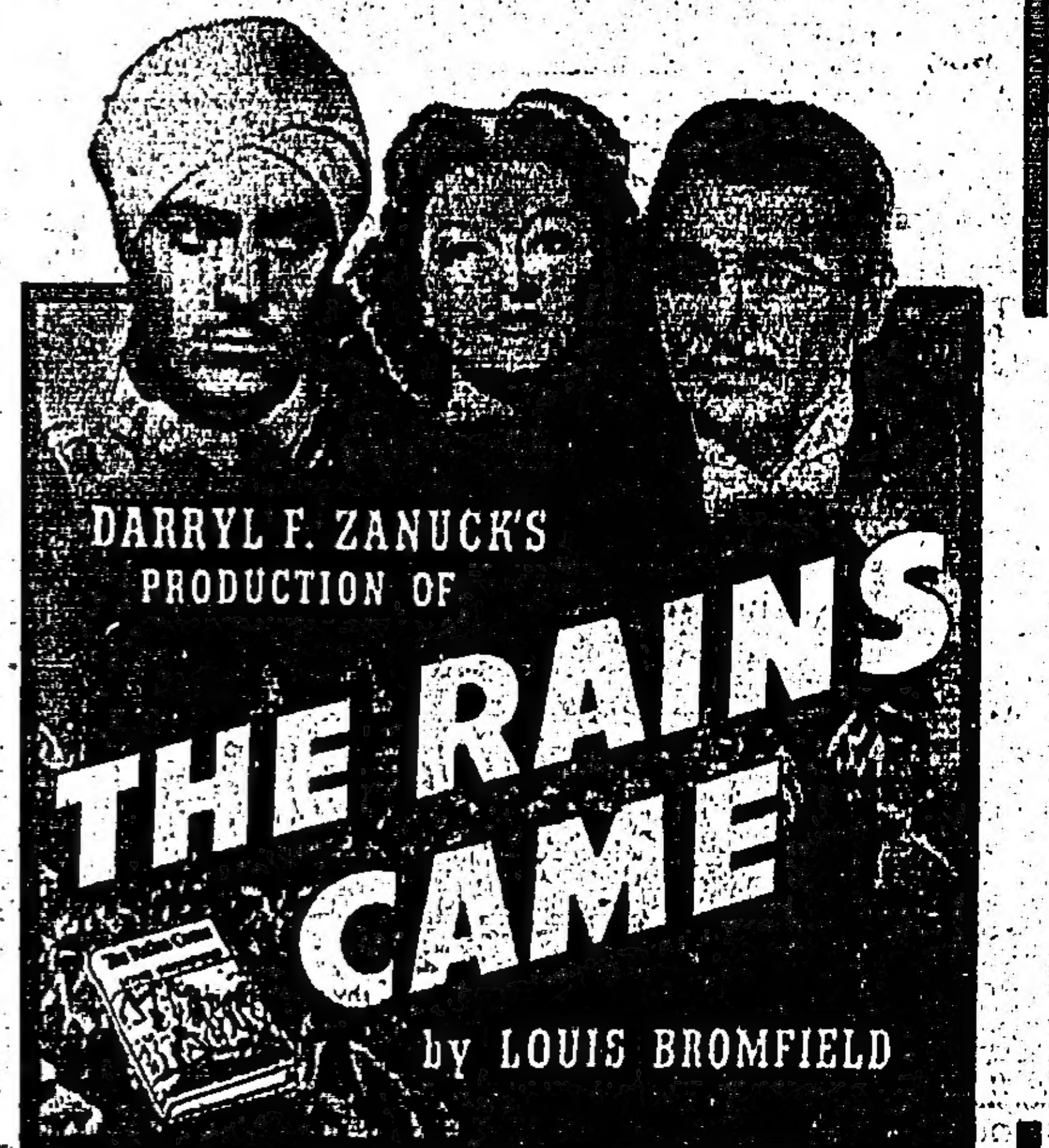
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	Marriage of Figaro.	(In French).
RO20238	Un peu d'amour	Richard Tauber.
	Bercesse de Jocelyn.	(In French).
RO20221	Ninon	Jan Klepura.
	Madonna.	(In German).
RO20201	La Danza	Jan Klepura. (In Italian).
RO20274	L'italiana in Algeria	Conchita Supervia.
		(In Italian).
RO20280	Bell Song. "Lakme"	Lily Pons. (In French).
RO20230	Barber of Seville	Lily Pons. (In French).
RO20315	Il Bacio. (The Kiss)	Marla Cebalan.
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## LATE NEWS

### H. K. V. D. C. TRAINING

The following special H.K.V.D.C. Notice relating to H.K.V.D.C. Training in April was issued this afternoon.

Certain members of Units of H.K.V.D.C. are required to take part in Training Exercises on dates and at times as shown below:

1st Battery: 5 p.m. Thurs. 11th Apr. to 8.30 a.m. Fri. 12th.

2nd Battery: 5 p.m. Wed. 10th Apr. to 8.30 a.m. Thurs. 11th Apr.

3rd Battery: 4.30 p.m. Wed. 10th Apr. to 8.30 a.m. Thurs. 11th.

4th Battery: 5 p.m. Tues. 9th Apr. to 8.30 a.m. Wed. 10th Apr.

5th A. A. Battery: 5 p.m. Wed. 10th Apr. to 8.30 a.m. Thurs. 11th Apr.

Field Coy Engineers: Certain periods between 8th and 12th April.

Corps Signals: As detailed on Tues. 9th or Wed. 10th or Thurs. 11th April from 2 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

No. 1 Company: 2 p.m. Wed. 10th Apr. to 7.30 p.m. Wed. 10th Apr.

No. 2 Company: 2 p.m. Thurs. 11th Apr. to 7.30 p.m. Thurs. 11th Apr.

No. 3 Company: 2 p.m. Wed. 10th Apr. to 7.30 p.m. Wed. 10th Apr.

No. 4 Company: 2 p.m. Tues. 9th Apr. to 5.30 p.m. Tues. 9th Apr.

No. 5 Company: 2 p.m. Thurs. 11th Apr. to 7.30 p.m. Thurs. 11th Apr.

No. 6 Company: 2 p.m. Wed. 10th Apr. to 7.30 p.m. Wed. 10th Apr.

No. 7 Company: 2 p.m. Tues. 9th Apr. to 7.30 p.m. Tues. 9th Apr.

2. Officers and Volunteers concerned will be individually instructed to attend and it is requested that Heads of Departments and Employers give them every possible facility to do so for this short period.

### Public Trial of Young Continues

TOKYO, March 15 (Domei).—The public trial of Mr. James R. Young, Ex Eastern Manager of the International News Service and the King's Feature Syndicate, on charges of violation of the Army Criminal Code, was resumed at the Tokyo District Court at 10.30 o'clock this morning.

Special attendants included Mr. Young, Secretary of the Foreign Office, Inspector Takanashi of the Metropolitan Police, Mr. Turner, Secretary of the American Embassy, Mrs. Young, and a friend of the defendant.

Mr. Iwazaki, former president of the Tokyo Gas Company, continued his testimony regarding the personal career of the accused. The proceedings were closed to the public.

### Yen (Officially) Reaches Record

TOKYO, Mar. 15 (Domei).—Japanese currency this morning soared to a new high in its quotation against Pound Sterling as a result of the continuous decline in the Anglo-American cross-rate.

The quotation this morning stood at 1s. 34d., the highest since December, 1932 when the Yen exchange rate in terms of Pound Sterling mounted to 1s. 31d.

### Silver Issue Near Settlement

TOKYO, Mar. 15 (Domei).—Domei learns from authoritative sources that a final understanding regarding the longstanding Tientsin silver issue has been reached as the result of the conversations this morning between Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, and Mr. Masuyuki Tani, the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs.

## ESPIONAGE CHARGE AGAINST OFFICIAL

THE HAGUE, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—M. Van Hoven, a high official of the Ministry of Social Affairs, was placed on trial here to-day on a charge of supplying shipping secrets to Germany. The case is being heard in camera.

His wife and another official, M. Buve of the Ministry of Economics, are accused of complicity.

It is alleged that Buve procured the documents which form a basis for the case.

The Minister of Justice has forbidden any publication of the proceedings in Holland.

It is known, however, that the Public Prosecutor demanded a sentence of two years imprisonment for Buve and one year for Mrs. Van Hoven.

## S'hai Dock Strike

900 Chinese Workers Down Tools

SIANGHAI, Mar. 15 (Reuter).—Labour trouble flared at the Shanghai Dockyards Limited yesterday when a large crew of Chinese dock hands prevented the Norwegian steamer, Fernmoor, from sailing by rioting.

Three Russian employees of the Company were badly beaten up and were removed to hospital.

The quick appearance of nearly 100 Police saved the situation from seriousness and restored complete order.

Last night all was quiet with 900 dock hands on strike.

## Soldier Charged With Theft

Idwal Adams, 22, soldier of the 2nd Batt. Royal Scots was remanded until to-morrow in military custody, when he appeared before Mr. Hims-worth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with the larceny of \$170 from a seaman, Lelf Hage, residing at the European Y.M.C.A.

Adams pleaded not guilty. Hearing was fixed for 11 a.m. to-morrow.

## Gambling Den Raided

19 People Arrested in Village Rd. House

Police raided what they described as a professional gambling school at No. 41 Village Road, ground floor, Happy Valley; about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and arrested 19 people, who were charged before Mr. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Lo To-chun, 48, widow, was charged with keeping the premises as a common gaming house, but she failed to appear and her bail of \$250 was estreated.

## Had To Break Down Door

The other eighteen people, the majority of whom were women and young girls, were charged with gambling. Only three answered the charge and were fined \$10 each. The remainder each forfeited bail of \$20.

Det.-Sgt. V. Morrison said \$9 was picked up from the gaming tables. The amount was small, he said, because the Police had to spend some time breaking down the door before they could enter. The flat was a professional dice school, continually on the move, and had been difficult to trace.

The gambling gear was confiscated by order of the Court.

## Told Police False Story

Rescued after he had tried to commit suicide by jumping into the harbour from Holt's Wharf, Chan Fuk-chang, 23, told the police that he was pushed into the sea after being robbed of \$51.

As a result of this story, Chan appeared before Mr. Hims-worth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and was charged with giving false information to the police.

Defendant was bound over for \$20 to be of good behaviour for one year.

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TO-MORROW



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